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# The Kindergarten.

# A MANUAL

FOR THE

# Introduction of Froebel's System of Primary Education

into

PUBLIC SCHOOLS;

and for the use of Mothers and Private Teachers

BY

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## NORMAL COLLEGE,

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I have carefully examined Dr. Douai's work entitled, "The Kindergarten. A Manual for the Introduction of Froebel's System of Primary Education into Public Schools", and think it thoroughly adapted for the purpose. It is simple, clear, child-like and progressive. In the hands of a good teacher, it must be productive of the very best results by infusing among the children a love for school and for study. Human happiness and self-government are the basis of Froebel's System; and Dr. Douai, by means of instructive plays and cheerful songs, has fully carried out the spirit of the great German.

The Committee on the Normal College has adopted the Kindergarten system, and employed Dr. Douai to give the necessary lessons to the pupil-teachers of the College.

THOS. HUNTER,

President Normal College.



# Letter from Miss Elizabeth D. Deabody to the Dublisher.

# December 15, 1870.

MR. STEIGER: Allow me to express to you my joy at learning that you are to publish a work of Dr. Douai's, containing the movement plays of the Kindergarten. That gentleman, so favorably known for having made, in the years immediately preceding 1848, the Duchy of Altenburg one of the best educated portions of thoroughly educated Germany, was one of the first to appreciate the scope and value of Froebel's Kindergarten. - I think it was in 1859 that he founded the first American Kindergarten in Boston.-It was a private school for Germans, and did not comprehend all the nicety of Froebel's plan. Dr. Douai has subsequently made this his own, by importing a German teacher, trained in one of Froebel's Normal Classes, to instruct himself and daughter in those details which it is quite impossible to do justice to by a book. But the teachers who are trained by the living word, need manuals like the present one, to relieve them from the exhaustion of perpetual invention while teaching; and also as reminders of the order and gradualism of the Practical Exercises.

I am thankful that the School Board of New York has availed itself of the assistance of Dr. Douai in presenting to

the public this new Method of Education, which not only ensures healthy physical development, but trains the artistic imagination, the scientific mind, and the skilful hand of labor;—and this—without taking the child out of the innocence of the childish sphere of imagination and affection.

The Kindergarten is a child's world, corresponding point by point with the adult world; and yet does not deprive children of their beautiful and harmonious infancy, but lengthens its term. The play of it rehearses all the serious occupation and beautiful morality which ought to characterize society, combining "the soul of the saint and the sage with the artless address of the child."

I hope Dr. Douai will be called all over the country to repeat everywhere the lectures which are about to prepare for permanent Normal Instruction in *Froebel's* Art and Science, as a department of the Normal College of New York city.

Very respectfully yours

E. P. PEABODY.

FOLLEN STREET,

Cambridge, Moss.

# INTRODUCTION.

# To Teachers.

This little book is intended to help teachers to direct Kindergartens on a larger seale. It is proposed that hereafter all our Primary Schools shall begin with a course of Kindergartening, and that classes of from fifty to a hundred small children shall be gathered into one Kindergarten. Froebel's excellent system has, thus far, not been tried on so large a scale, and whenever it shall be, it will be necessary, that the class should be temporarily subdivided for different exercises. But one expert teacher may be sufficient for even a very large elass, if she is aided by a number of unpaid assistants, pupils of a Normal School who thus learn the practical art under direct supervision. In this way the beneficial influences of the system may be brought home to every child. The author of this book has, therefore, embodied his experience of more than ten years' Kindergartening with larger classes, for the benefit of those teachers who wish to make themselves familiar with the system.

We do not mean to supersede two other valuable works on the same subject, intended for mothers and teachers, we mean Miss *Elizabeth P. Peabody* and Mrs. *Horace Mann's* "Kindergarten Guide" (Schermerhorn, New York, 1869) and Mr. Edw. Wiebe's "Paradise of Childhood" (Milton Bradley & Co., Springfield, Mass., 1870). We rather recommend them to the perusal of all teachers and mothers who have their pupils' welfare at heart. But our book has several peculiar features which render it especially useful and supplementary to the above works:

- 1. It is adapted to the wants of large Kindergartens and to the practical training of the pupil teachers of Normal Schools into Kindergarteners under the guidance of one expert teacher.
- 2. It contains selections in two languages, the English and German. Thus it is of use in Kindergartens in which either or both languages are spoken and promotes the learning of those two languages by the same children at the same time.
- 3. The collection of pieces embraces, besides the choicest selections of poetry, song and tales, found in other German or English books of the same kind, many valuable new ones.

The fundamental idea which led the great educator Frederick Froebel to the invention of the Kindergarten ("Children's Garden") was, to render the first schooling attractive, to connect learning with pleasure, and to make mental food as much conducive to mental growth, as bodily food is to bodily growth. At the same time, moral education was to be facilitated by making the youthful learners as happy as possible, so that they should need the least possible discipline from without, their occupation disciplining them from within and prompting them to create order.

The first condition thereto was, of course, association of children with children. Man being a sociable creature, and children even more so than adults, the former can be really educated, that is to say, developed into veritable men, men in the full and harmonious exercise of all their faculties, solely by association with other children under the guidance of an educator.

The second condition was, that the place of assembly should be attractive, inspiring and congenial to child-like instincts, a little garden and, adjoining, a large room, lofty, airy, adorned with greens, flowers and, if possible, a fountain, nice pictures, etc. Till the time shall have come, when the education of all children with the best means of the art, and up to the highest standard of the science of Pedagogy, shall be felt as the sacred duty of all political communities, the above condition may be dispensed with to some degree, and may be considered as fulfilled, if the room is large enough; to wit, if it contains, besides sufficient seats, little chairs or low settees for the children, a sufficient number of low tables, and a sufficiency of space to carry on gymnastic exercises and running games. As far as the means allow, the hall may be adorned with flowers, or garlands, flags, pictures and other attractive objects, chiefly from nature—but this is not a matter of primary importance.

The third and most indispensable condition is an effective lady Kindergartener, who has studied the science and art formulated by Froebel. As it was the idea of Froebel—and a very commendable one, too—that every mother should be an educated Kindergartener, so as to be able to begin the system in its rudiments at home, he cannot have intended to demand unusual faculties and talents from future Kindergarteners. He must have supposed, that the female mind was, if fairly educated, in itself a guaranty of success in this task. And, indeed, every young woman, possessing a habit of reflection, some energy, a cheerful, conscientious character, a true love for children, and a common school education, may, with some prac-

tical experience and theoretical knowledge in this branch of education, succeed in it well enough. A tolerable voice, pure and strong, and some musical training (so as to accompany with the piano) are also indispensable for large classes. Let, therefore, no teacher, who wishes to prepare herself for this highly useful branch, be discouraged by the more apparent than real difficulties, which Froebet's rather philosophical ideas in regard to his system suggest to the beginner. Her habit of reflection and her cheerful energy will go far toward obviating all difficulties to be encountered.

The fourth and last condition to successful Kindergartening are good toys, playthings and games—presented in a serial order. They can be had from E. Steiger, or may be imported from Germany in any selection which is preferable, according to means and the number of children in the class.

But the idea of making the first school as attractive as possible, was not the only one with *Froebel*. Play and happiness should subserve a most serious purpose, that of unfolding all the various powers of the body and mind, just at the time when they are most susceptible of a harmonious growth, most eager for development, and most pliable in every direction. It is comparatively easy to keep even a large number of children occupied with a variety of amusing plays and games, which in themselves contain elements of instruction and discipline. The teacher need only divide her little band into sub-classes, according to age and preparation, and employ every class with different toys and games, and then change them whenever the children grow tired and unruly. Besides, matters may be so arranged, that for a couple of weeks she may have to do

with one or two sub-classes only, and set them at work before several more sub-classes are admitted. The peculiarity of the Kindergarten is, that the play is always to be turned to a useful account; slumbering faculties are to be awakened, drowsy inclinations to be enlivened, attention and reflection to be cultivated, and good habits to be fostered in the individual. In this there is no end of learning, no acme of perfection. The best of talents can never accomplish too much, while a conscientious and hearty energy will go a great way toward the aim. The means furnished to this end by Froebel, consist in Object Lessons, mental and bodily gymnastics, the charms of poesy and music, and conversation which is conversation and not dogmatic dictation in ever so soft a tone.

We need not enlarge here on the purposes and uses of Object Lessons; we may refer our readers to the "Kindergarten Guide" and to Mr. Calkins' book on "Object Lessons" for more complete information on this subject. We shall here call attention to one thing only, to wit, the reasonable demand of Pedagogy, that all instruction, and even all play whatsoever, should be made an Object Lesson. The five senses are first cultivated, to furnish the mind with correct and complete impressions of the objects of the outer world. The child will not see, hear, feel, smell and taste all the features of an object, before its attention is called to them by questions and answers, and before it can express in a somewhat correct speech what its senses do perceive. But after it has once learned to examine all objects for new impressions on its senses, it will perceive and observe a hundred features about even familiar objects, which other children, and even adults, do not find out. A live cat, for instance, is a very familiar object; but how

many children, before their attention is drawn to it, will know that the pupil of the cat's eye is of the form of a lens seen sideways, that it widens and contracts very much, that the eyeball is of a greenish color, the white of the eye-light green, or else not very white, the eye-ball very convex, the eye-lids mostly half-closed, covered with short hair outside—and so on with a dozen remarks about a cat's eye, to say nothing of hundreds of perceptions on the rest of its body, the habits of the animal, etc. It is the greatest triumph of the teacher, to make children feel a lively pleasure in exercising their senses, in examining every object under their observation, and able to express all their perceptions in intelligible language, until they can rather coherently speak on objects within their own experience. What a perversion of the power of language, to make children talk of things which they know from hearsay only! but what a glorious achievement to make them see, hear, feel for themselves and then speak out their minds.

Besides the power of the senses and of speech, reflection is to profit from Object Lessons. A teacher who is not herself in the habit of reflecting both on objects and her pupils' wants, can not, of course, engender reflection in them. Only the like begets the like. In the poetic and prosaic exercises we have, here and there, pointed out to the beginner what questions would be likely to elicit reflection and correct answers. By the examples given the teacher may easily be guided to invent questions of the same kind. A minority of children, especially in well-to-do families, where adults are in the habit of talking much with them, learn reflection, as it were, of themselves; it is they who, instead of waiting for the teacher's questions, rather trouble her with their inquisitive turn of mind. Now,

they must not be reduced to silence, as long as their questions allow of a reasonable answer and are to some purpose, especially, if they belong to the subject matter-in-hand. But, instead of answering them herself, the teacher ought, as much as possible, to make the children answer their own questions. The majority, however, are not given to reflection, but must be stimulated to it by the teacher's questions. It is with them that Object Lessons are most beneficial. The beginning in these lessons, in Froebel's system, is made with the First and Second Gifts, consisting of a ball and a cube. But these gifts being adapted to children on the mother's lap, and small classes of very young children only, we refrain from going into the details of this exercise, which are described in the "Guide" and "the Paradise of Childhood." In larger classes, Object Lessons best begin with tables, chairs, settees, and the rest of the school-furniture, and all the subdivisions of the class may be occupied together in the same exercise, as follows: The younger ones must repeat, on command, the answers of the older ones, now in chorus, then individually, each child in its turn. Questions like the following: "What does the table consist of?" "What is every single part of it called?" "What properties of form, color, size and proportion has it?" and the like expressed in the simplest language, may be addressed to the whole class indiscriminately. But questions like these: "Why the table consists of a flat part and a frame below on legs?" "Why there must be more than two legs to a table, or else a very broad or heavy one?" "Why the top of the table must be level and smooth?" "If and why the legs may as well be rounded off as four-sided?" "Why they must be equally long?" "Why the tables are sometimes provided with

a drawer?" and a great many more similar questions, will lead the older sub-classes and some individuals of the younger to reflection. At the same time, care must be taken to have answers given-in complete sentences, as for instance: "The table has a drawer, to put things out of the way." The younger sub-classes must repeat a number of times every name of a thing or a quality, in a short sentence, as: "this is the top of the table", "this is a table-drawer", "the table is oblong", or "it is square", or "it is circular", or "it is oval"; and their attention and reflection are exercised by correctly discriminating between the terms given. Half an hour will, as a rule, be the greatest length of time, to which such an exercise may be extended, without wearying the attention of the classes.

The Third, Fourth, and so on to the Seventh and Eight Gifts, whose description may be seen in Wiebe's book, are adapted to the wants of the youngest sub-classes containing children of four and five years, and a few of the most backward of an older age. The teacher, when introducing a new gift for the first time, must gather them round a table and devote half an hour's time to the explanation of the object by questions and answers. She encourages imagination and invention by calling on the pupils to construct with the given forms all other forms possible, and to tell what they look like in the outer world. Meanwhile the other sub-classes are engaged in play around other tables, with such gifts of a higher order as will keep them, for that space of time, sufficiently interested, and may be allowed to talk, perhaps, in a low tone. At the end of the lesson with the one sub-class, the teacher should examine the work done by all the others, should elicit correct answers and commend the best inventions. Thus each sub-class will have

its turn in an appropriate Object Lesson and oral exercise, while all may be easily watched. The Tenth, Eleventh, and so on to the Nineteenth Gift inclusively, are appropriate to subclasses of from six to seven years, while the Twentieth (Material for Modeling) and the drawing on slates of things from memory in a recognizable style, require a sub-class of seven years on an average. The great variety of plays invented by Froebel, with building blocks, colored papers, sticks and chips of wood, sticks or wires and soaked peas, worsted-stitching on perforated thick paper, weaving of strips of one color into slitted paper of another color etc., tend to develop the sense of form and proportion to such a degree, that the inventive faculty is imperceptibly developed, so that the children may soon draw on slates, or model, in some pliable substance, a great variety of objects so as to be recognizable. This important ability must be encouraged by preserving the best models and drawings and exhibiting them.

We here mention, by the way, that physicians and experienced teachers coincide more and more in the view, that it is very wrong and unsafe to put children of less than seven years to the first exercises of the Common Primary School, especially if a session lasts more than four hours a day; and that nothing is lost, but much gained in the time and force of children, if they are kept in the Kindergarten till that age, always allowing a very few exceptions of children who are very robust and carnest.

The mental exercises, of which we are now to treat, are no less Object Lessons than all the other exercises of the Kindergarten; but the objects here under consideration being in the imagination of the children (i. c. objects which are recollected),

we call these exercises by the particular name of mental gymnastics. Their especial purpose, besides that of all Object Lessons, is to enliven *Imagination* by awakening in the memory the pictures of objects of the outer world with all their features, and by applying the influence of Music and Poetry toward their legitimate ends within the youthful mind. It is to these mental exercises, in which, for the most part, all the subclasses may be simultaneously engaged, that the greater portion of this book is devoted. Our little collection of pieces is divided into three parts: 1) Pieces of child-like poetry with appropriate tunes; 2) Pieces of the same without song, to be learnt by heart; 3) Child-like tales.

Not all children are sufficiently strong in imagination; indeed, a small percentage only of them are. And yet, it is just this faculty which is indispensable in the study of languages, of mathematics, history, natural sciences and arts. It is best strengthened by conjuring up in memory objects from within the child's experience, which are agreeable to recollect, easy to reproduce and describe, and surrounded by the charms of Poesy and Music. Most books on Kindergartening contain either too little of this class of exercises, which besides their attractiveness, accord a beneficial change of instruction, or a too rich and, therefore, a less carefully sifted collection.

Before one of the pieces under I. is taken up, the teacher will recite the little poem entire. Next, she will ask the children what it means, explaining such expressions as are new to them, by questions and answers, and making sure that all the members of the upper sub-classes understand everything in the piece. It ought to be a sacred rule of every teacher, never

to make her pupils commit anything to memory, which is either altogether beyond their conception, or else not sufficiently brought home to their reflection and understanding. Even the poetical beauty in the given piece ought to be impressed upon the youthful mind; and a few of our notes to the several pieces will serve as examples, how that may be done in a natural and child-like way.

The next task of the teacher is to impress the whole piece upon the memory of the class, by reciting, three or four consecutive times, two lines at a time, taking care that the sense be not disturbed, and by repeating the two, four, six lines already learnt, with the whole class, till every individual of the first sub-class can correctly repeat the piece from memory. The lower sub-classes will learn the piece, without any particular effort of theirs, by and by, it being many times repeated in the course of one or two years. Next comes the tune, which the teacher sings for them three or four times with the words, till a number of her pupils can correctly imitate it. There is always among the girls a majority who can do that soon, if the tune is not complicated, and among the boys at least ten percent who are able to do it, while the rest of the children will accompany the song in a rather unmusical recitation of the words. They may be permitted to do that, provided they keep their voices down to a whisper; in this way they will better enjoy the piece. This singing is a great feast for them, if the tune is not stale. As soon as one or several such songs are committed to memory, the exercises of each morning or session ought to be opened and concluded with one of them, to make the class cheerful; and likewise other exercises which threaten to become wearisome, must be interrupted by singing, while some of the gymnastic exercises and most of the games are rendered rhythmical by song.

The little pieces under II. are treated in a similar manner. The teacher first recites the entire piece, explains its single parts by questions and answers, draws attention to its charms. elicits moral truths from its contents by drawing them out of her pupils. She repeats and makes her pupils repeat a couple of lines at a time, first in chorus, then by individuals, until the whole piece, or if it is too long for one lesson, part of it is committed to memory. The majority of the class will first keep only a few snatches of the piece, but by frequent repetition in later times will, without any effort, be found to have appropriated the whole or most of it. When individual children repeat the piece, care must be taken that they say it slowly, distinctly and impressively; when they say it in chorus, and therefore strictly rhythmically, they ought to be prevented from swallowing up final syllables and from hurrying on. The remarks of the teacher and the correct answers of the children, given on first learning the piece, ought to be reproduced, when the latter is repeated. In short, whatever is done in the Kindergarten, is worth doing well, that it may last in the enchanted recollection of the pupils for ever.

The pieces under III. have, besides the uses of the foregoing pieces, the purpose of exercising the children in the power of coherent logic and speech. These little tales are told by the teacher two or three consecutive times, when the children have to relate them from memory, using as much as possible their own words. Only a very few of them will, from the outset, be equal to the task, but their number will grow in time, if the teacher helps the staggering language along by questions and

answers. To interest in the exercise that portion of the class, which cannot yet speak coherently, the teacher makes them repeat the story by questions and answers, a practice which we need not explain. These tales have all a moral object, besides: moral truths ought to be drawn from them, which on questioning should be stated by the children themselves, repeated and corrected by the teacher and then enjoined in few but impressive words. The number of such stories here given is small, because the teacher can easily find others. But they ought to be childlike, to really interest the tender age, to be clad in simplest language, and their moral to remain within the experience of childhood. It is one of the greatest blunders of educators, to enjoin duties and to preach moral truths to children of so young an age that their acquaintance with life and its obligations must be very limited. Children are, in this way, obdurated to the charms of morality and religion.

Where in Kindergartens the two languages are used simultaneously — which is by far the easiest way, not only to teach a plurality of languages, but also to teach the mother tongue more correctly, (it takes, indeed, no more time and force to learn two languages well in this way than one in the common way), two native teachers ought to be employed in preference to one who speaks both languages; but they may alternate in the exercises, so that only one at a time need be engaged in this class. Different persons for each language are preferable, for the reason that children are thus more easily prevented from mingling their expressions in a jumble which is neither language. But most teachers will be so ambitious as to learn both languages, in order that they may not remain behind the children, and that they may occasionally step into the place of the other

native teacher. The acquisition of the foreign tongue is facilitated, even to the teacher, by this book and the Kindergarten.

Among the mental gymnastics the following exercises also should find a place:

Committing to memory the numbers in their series from one to one hundred. This is best done by means of Object Lessons. The panes of the windows, the tables, chairs, settees, children etc. are counted. Addition and subtraction of one at a time, later of two, of three or more at a time, are practised by means of the sticks.

The series of days in the week, of months in the year and of the seasons are committed to memory, together with the number of days in the week, in the several months, the year, of weeks and months in the year and the quarters of a year. The telling of the time by a watch may conclude this series of exercises, which are adapted to the understanding of the highest sub-class only.

The simplest Geometrical regular bodies and figures, beginning with the former, may also be made an Object Lesson; this lesson is well prepared from the beginning by means of the first series of Gifts. The children must tell how many sides, edges, corners and angles a cube and a parallelopiped (four-sider) have, how many a three-sided prism, a three-, four-, five-sided pyramid; that the globe has one circular (globular) side only, the oval has beside two ends, the half-globe has two sides, a globular and a flat round one, and one circular edge, the cylinder two of the latter, and a cylindrical side, the cone one flat circular, one conical side and a point. Next the figures, beginning with the rectangular triangle; what a right angle is, must be exemplified in various ways, the pupil telling what rectan-

gular figures he sees in the room, and distinguishing them thoroughly from acute and obtuse angles. It depends altogether on the interest, which the pupils are able to find in these exercises, how far they shall be carried; but they are to be confined to the sensible objects, never allowed to go over into the abstract.

Natural objects,—plants, animals and their products,—require for a thorough Object Lesson a great many Geometrical expressions and can, therefore, be introduced with full advantage only after the last named series of exercises, and even then only to a small compass.

The gymnastic exercises of the age here concerned ought to be the lightest kind of gymnastics. Their purpose is threefold: 1) To relieve the strain on mind and body, brought about by exercises carried on in a standing or sitting posture; 2) To develop the health of the pupils and an easy, graceful and safe use of all their limbs: 3) To arouse in the children the love for rhythm, energy, order and pleasant conduct even during nervous excitement. To subserve all these ends, they ought to be accompanied either by songs or by the piano (chiefly marches) and to alternate between standing and marching exercises. Any good book on light gymnastics may be used, to select from the number of exercises, there depicted, the simplest and easiest in some variety. We can here call attention to the importance of a few only. Most children of that age have an imperfect gait. Some bend over with the right or left foot; some turn one knee or both too far in or outward, and so with the toes; some tread on one sole only and use only the fore or afterpart of the other foot; some stoop in walking or sitting - very few indeed walk, stand and sit straight and gracefully. It requires a great deal of attention on the part of the Kindergartener to weed out all such defects; but patience will succeed. Another indispensable Kindergarten exercise is that of bending the upper body only, while the lower stands firmly on two soles, legs closed, heels together, toes out; the bending to the right and left and, with stiff knees, in a half circle forward and backward, if properly executed, greatly relieves a body weary from sitting, and gives, on account of its working on the diaphragm, vitality and energy. Again, few other exercises conduce so much to an easy, graceful bearing of the body as balancing, of which we shall here point out a number:

Standing alternately on one foot, the other being drawn up by degrees, till the knee is at right angles;

Hopping alternately on the forepart of one foot (never on the heels, or sole, on account of danger to the brain);

Lifting the body on the toes of both feet put closely together, balancing it on the heels, and these two exercises alternately;

Shifting the posture of the feet, when firmly on the ground, from the first position (legs closed, heels together, toes out) to the close one (toes close to each other) and back, and again toes out, till the feet form one straight line, while all the rest of the body remains immovable;

Balancing the body alternately on one knee, one foot standing one step forward, and both firmly on the ground, while leaning with the whole upper body, as far as possible, back and forward;

Moving with parallel feet, a few inches distant, to the right and left, while lifting the straight, immovable body alternately on the toes and heels; it may be done quicker and quicker. Among the exercises of the muscles of the arms and their single limbs in all possible positions, there is scarcely any one superfluous; we direct especially the attention to an alternation between powerfully spreading all the fingers and firmly closing the fists with stiff, horizontal arms. Likewise, with the same position, the bending the fist at right angles, forward and backward, upward and downward, and the turning of the stiff, horizontal arms round their axes. These exercises tend toward strengthening the muscles necessary for penmanship and drawing.

Among the dancing exercises, we recommend the rhythmical walking on the forepart of the foot, one, two, or more steps forward and backward, with or without wheeling the body. A reflecting teacher will easily find for herself a number of such amusing, healthy, and beautiful exercises which put no too great strain on the physical endurance of the young. Of course, every exercise ought to have its particular name, so that the teacher's short word of command may set all the little band at once into the desired motion or position. Whatever is done, ought to be well done; the children ought to be aware of what is beauty in human movements; their energy ought to be aroused; they should feel the most lively pleasure in using all their limbs well and gracefully, rhythmically and obediently. Gymnastics ought not to be converted into fun or farce. smallest sub-class, and especially clumsy individuals, ought to have, from time to time, when the other sub-classes are strictly engaged, a separate gymnastic instruction, so that they may be gradually broken into the class routine. Thus a conscientious Kindergartener cannot fail to endear herself to all her pupils as much as a mother.

The last kinds of exercises peculiar to the Kindergarten, are running and walking games, connected with song. We shall here describe a number of these invented by *Froebel*, whose very simplicity recommends them to children.

The teacher will have to take care that the above great variety of exercises and the games below may succeed each other in such a way as to prevent weariness of the children, and to keep them constantly happy and engaged. Thus a habit is formed of shunning idleness, and of considering work but another kind of play, and of loving play for the sake of its usefulness. Children so prepared for, at least, one or better two, or three, or even four years, will advance most rapidly in the elementary exercises of the Primary School, and will, on the whole, be much better prepared for the great school of life.

# A.—Kindergarten Games.

## 1. Cradling.



The Teacher places the child before her, puts its feet against hers and bids the child hold its body and limbs quite stiff. She then takes its hands in hers and seesaws with it to the words of the song.

The same is played by the children ranged in pairs opposite to one another, their toes touching, legs straight, holding hands with arms outstretched and drawing one another seesaw to the words.

## 2. Baking.





The movements of kneading and rolling the dough are imitated, the teacher showing them, the children following; once or twice clapping hands, and finishing by pushing both hands forward.

## 3. Climbing,



The left arm with hand and fingers spread imitates the tree, the right hand represents the climbing and hopping boy; with the word "plump" the right arm sinks suddenly down, the fingers pointing to where the boy has fallen. The teacher shows every movement first.





The hands, held together, form a nest, the thumbs turned inward represent the two eggs. At the words "out two little etc.", the thumbs rise and flutter.

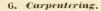
## Pendulum.



- 2. The clocks on lofty towers, For storms they do not care, In frost and icv showers.
  - 2. Die Uhren auf den Thurmen, Die find gar hoch geftellt, Gie gehn, und mag's auch fturmen, They're always ticking there, tie etc. Gan; ruhig burd die Belt tif tat :c.

- The house clocks are no bigger, Have ne'er a lazy head, They even go still quicker, They never go to bed.
- The little watches hurry, They have no rest at-all, They 're never in a flurry, Although they are so small.
- 3. Die Uhren an ben Banden, Sie gehen raicher ichon Und wollen gar nicht enden Wit immer gleichem Don.
- 4. Die Kleinen aber eilen, Die haben teine Zeit; Sie möchten hundert Meilen Wohl in der Stunde weit.

The children, standing in a circle, imitate the movement of the pendulum, with one arm downward moving backward and forward or, when the watches are mentioned, with one fluger upward, each succeeding strophe being quicker in rhythm.





Planing is represented with two elenched fists, one behind the other, along the table. It is essential that the rhythm should be exactly kept, the children moving little steps forward along the tables all put in one line, and around them.

# 7. Organ-grinding.



The movement of the organ-grinder is imitated. His kind of business being rather lazy, it may not be amiss to ridicule it slightly.

# 8. Sailing.



1. Mein Schiff will jett auf Rei = fen gehn, feht mie



she hoists her mer - chan - dise and mail; look here! fährt nach frem » ben fei = ne ©e = gel wehn, Сŝ



flag, and shews the road, a-cross the main and back. Yan stern him and fragt: was gibt's yn fan s fen brin?

2. When they unload her, what a mass 2. Mun fehrt bas Chiff in uns nach Of wares! Who buys, they 're cheap,

my lass!

They come to us from far and near.

Come, buy, good folks, they are not

dear.

Und pact die vielen Waaren aus, Die es gebracht aus weiter Fern'. Kommt alle, faufet, meine Herrn!

The ship is represented by nine children, in three rows, moving together. The tallest boy in the centre carries a flag; all hold handkerchiefs, connecting them like tackle. The children on the two outer rows represent with their outer hands oars, or paddle-wheels.

#### 9. Imitating.





The children, joining hands, form a circle and march round, singing as far as "see". One child, standing in the centre, now sings: "I show — can". The class answers: "We wish — man". He sets in again with: "So stand — will", they answer: "We stand — will". Now he makes either some funny gesture, or else some gymnastical exercise, which all initate to the end of the strophe, when marching begins again. Each child should by and by have its turn in the leadership.







- One of us has disappeared, You shall guess which one it is, And shall heartily be cheered If your guess is not amiss,
- 2. Beil nun Einer verschwunden, Einer fehlet im Kreis, Sollft du ihn uns erkunden, Ihn errathen mit Fleiß.

This may be played while sitting, standing in a circle, or marching round. The eyes of one pupil are covered, till one of the children, whom the teacher points out with her hand, has left the room. The former has to look about, to guess, who is missing. The hidden child then takes his place.

All kinds of guessing-games may be connected with this song. The teacher may, for instance, while the guesser turns the other way, hide some object under a cap or a handkerchief, when he must guess what is hidden. Or sitting blindfolded, he is given some object to feel, and to tell what it is. The words of the second strophe must then be appropriately altered.

# 11. Guessing the Singer.



- Sing the ditty I am singing, I will guess then who thou art; If I fail, your merry laughter Will not hurt me; let us start!
- 2. Singe nach, wie ich gesungen, Und errathen will ich's gleich; Doch ist mir dies nicht gesungen, Ift das Lachen wohl an ench.

One child in the centre is blindfolded, and a stick is put in its hand. After the first strophe he strikes; the circle stands still; the Kindergartener beckons to another child, who takes its place behind her. The guesser now sings the second strophe, of which the other child repeats a few notes; the former finds out by the voice who it is. Children who cannot sing, may play this game speaking the above words, and repeating a few of them.



In the circle, one child represents the hare, with raised hands imitating the animal's long ears. At the words: "Johnny,

hop!" it sets out hopping, till it stands still before another child, who next must play hare. At the second strophe, another child, representing the dog, is set after the hare, and must catch it. The latter part can be played as a separate game. The teacher should let each child have its turn as hare or dog,—a remark that applies to all similar games.



The hopping is done in a very erouching position and in strict rhythm.

#### 14. Cat and Mouse,





mouse; O mouse, trust not, but go, O lit - tle mouse, go! in das Haus, springt schnell das Mäus = chen wie = der hin = aus.

Circle. One child is cat, another the mouse. The cat takes the outside, the mouse is inside. The circle tries to protect it and ward off the cat. The latter tries to slip in and catch the mouse. When that happens, the play begins anew.



The circle is first tightly closed; a number of children are doves and hover in the centre. Each child in the circle stepping back four paces, after the first notes, the dove-cote is open, the doves fly out in all directions under lifted arms, and return at the words "we shut up the house etc." The end is sung with a low voice, and after a number of repetitions the teacher concludes with a conversation on doves.



The circle is narrow, the arms are interlaced over the shoulders, to represent the hoop round the vat. One pupil as cooper

walks around, puts, in imitation of the cooper, one fist on the hoop and pounds on it with the other, advancing from child to child.



2. How busy the wheels are in turning 2. Finf faufen den Steine und drehen the stone.

And grinding so finely the grain we have grown!

The baker the flour then for baking

will use,
And make us a roll, or a cake, if we

And make us a roll, or a cake, if we choose.

Und mahlen den Weizen zu Mehl uns so sein. Der Bäcker den Zwieback und Ru-

den braus bäckt, Der immer ben Kindern besonders aut ichmeckt,

Circle; each child wheeling and tramping rhythmically to represent the mill. The words "clip, clap" are accompanied by clapping twice with the hands. Those who become dizzy may stand still and carry out a wheeling motion with hands flat.

#### 18. The Farmer.



Sa = fer

mer mow his barley and wheat? Look so, so mows the farmer his barley and wheat.

fei = nen

Ban - er

- 3. Would you know how does the far- 3. Bollt ihr miffen, wie ber Bauer mer bring in barley and wheat? Look so etc.
- mer thrash his barley and wheat? Look so etc.

2. Would you know how does the far- 2. Wollt ihr miffen, wie ber Bauer feinen Safer abmabt ?

aue.

fdjön

- Cehet fo, fo maht ber Bauer feinen Safer bann ab.
- feinen Safer heimfährt? Cehet jo 2c.
- 4. Would you know how does the far- 4. Bollt ihr miffen, wie ber Bauer feinen Safer ausdrifcht? Cehet io :c.

- 5. Would you know how rests the farmer, when his labor is done?

  Look so etc.

  5. Look in the farthat is the farthat in the farceftet for the farselfet for
- 6. Would you know how after harvest 6. Wollt thr wiffen, wie der Bauer the farmer is glad?

  Look so etc, Sehet 10 20.

Circling, and singing till "sow his barley etc." Now comes the imitation of sowing, mowing, etc. With "lalala" the chain and dancing round set in, up to a new strophe. In the third strophe the harvest wagon is represented by one child holding backward his hands which are seized by the one after him. At the fifth they all bend down, laying both hands beneath the head, as though sleeping. At the sixth a jolly jumping, or dancing in pairs.

#### 19. Snail.





- 2. Hand in hand we now proceed, Slowly first, and then with speed, ;; Always looser ;; always farther ;; ;; always wider ;; Always looser, lastly wide
  - Till the circle opens quite.
- 2. Hand in Hand wir uns jetzt fehn, Wollen wie das Schnedlein gehn, ;; Immer lofer ;; immer weiter ;; ;; innner ferner ;; So vom teinfien Runtte aus

Co vom fleinften Buntte aus Bis jum großen Rreis hinaus.

The children stand hand in hand. The teacher leads one end of the chain to the centre, where she remains. One of the children leads the other end in a circle that more and more narrows down, forming the figure of a snail-shell. The second strophe accompanies the unwinding movement. The unwinding may also be effected by the children in pairs raising their arms, so that the teacher may slip out and slowly drag the chain through after her.

#### 20. Coil.



- Let us now unwind our coil,
   It is fun, it is no toil.
   What a pleasure, when we sing,
   Though we do not jump or spring.
- 2. Nun auflösen unfre Welle, Dazu singen klar und helle. C, wie erfreut's das Kind! Alle beijammen sind.

The children form a chain. The teacher draws one end of it to the centre and there turning round winds slowly the coil round herself. With the second strophe begins the unwinding, led by some intelligent child at the outer end, but cautiously, because the children walk backwards. The coil may also be unwound by pairs of children forming a gate with uplifted arms. as in No. 19.

#### GYMNASTIC EXERCISES.

### 21. Marching.



- Straighten up and cut a figure, Like a soldier every feature; Careful be, go not too close, Step not on the baby's toes, Do not crowd each other!
- Lift your feet heroically, When we part and when we rally; Singing and in company We shall never wearied be; "Cheerful" is our motto.
- 2. Rüftig laßt uns vorwärts schreiten, Daß wir fommen an bei Zeiten! Laßt erschallen muntern Sang, So wird uns der Weg nicht lang, Frohsinn soll uns leiten!
- 3. Seder halte sich gerade, Wie Soldaten auf Parade! Gehet vorwärts mit Bedacht, Rehmt die Kleinen wohl in Acht, Keiner nehme Schaden!

The children march in pairs; at the words "part asunder" the pairs separate right and left and return in a circle to the end of the chain.

The second strophe may be sung to almost any kind of marching exercise. The third may be sung to countermarches, the pairs either starting from opposite sides of the hall, till they meet in the middle line, and then marching back, either forwards or backwards, or beginning in the contrary order.



With this marching song any kind of gymnastic exercise may be connected, if instead of the words "snail" and "trail" others are inserted.

Here marching by pairs is intended, the row forming wavelines.

#### 23. Another March.





This is for simple marches on the spot; or marches forward.





- 2. We're healthy, free from ev'ry care, 2. Wir find gefund und forgenfrei, And our hotel is roomy, Where many dishes are prepared-Why should we, then, he gloomy?
- 3. And when our journey's work is done, 3. Bit unfer Tagemert vollbracht, We nestle in the bushes. And dream sweet dreams and slum
  - ber still Till morning's early blushes.
- Und finden, was uns ichmedet, Und wo wir fliegen ein und aus, 3ft unfer Tijd gededet.
- Wir fliegen auf die Baume, Und ichlafen ba die gange Hacht Und haben füße Traume.

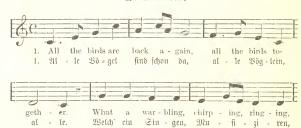
With this song the gymnastic exercise of the bird's flight may be executed; the arms, stretched out stiff sideways, move in a circle.

Or a game may be played to it, representing trees (part of the children, who stretch out their arms as branches, moving the fingers as leaves) and birds (the rest of the children, who hop about on their toes, using their arms as wings, pick berries from the trees, -and other similar imitations).

# B.—Mental Exercises.

#### CHILD-LIKE SONGS.

#### 1. Summer.





pip - ing, twitt'-ring, coo - ing, sing - ing! Sum - mer gives a Pfei - fen, Bwit - fcheru, Ti - ri - li - ren! Früh - ling will nun



ein . mar . ichi . ren, tommt mit Sang und Schal - le.

- 2. How they are brimful of joy, Every little darling! Bobolink and mocking-bird, Linnet, thrushes and king-bird Wish us joy, good luck and mirth, Also finch and starling.
- 2. Wie fie alle luftig find, Flint und froh fich regen! Umfel, Droffel, Fint und Star Und die gange Bogelichar Bünfchet uns ein frobes Jahr. Lauter Glud und Gegen.

#### Birds.



wee - de - vit,

mi = be = mit,

2. Birdies dear, take me along, Let me join in your travel, Let me join in your song, I like with you to revel! What splendid pleasure must it be, To keep you traveling company, wee-de- Bu fliegen in die Welt hinein, widewit !

Wee - de - vit.

2Bi - be - wit,

vit!

mit!

3. Alas, wings I have none -All I can do is jumping Through forest gloom and sun, And singing, noising, thumping. And thue like you, I sing aloud, And caper, hop and rove about, wee-de-

2. Lieb Böglein, nehmt mich mit Auf eure weite Reife! Dlehret mir, ich bitt', Den Flug auf eure Beife! Wie muß bas herrlich, prächtig fein,

de - vit!

be = mit!

wee -

wi

3. Ach, Flügel hab' ich nicht, Doch tann ich flettern, fpringen Durch Wald und Connenlicht Und luftig wie ihr fingen; Drum fing' ich wie die Bogelein, Die fich des ichonen Lebens freun, wide-

OBJECT LESSON ON BIRDS .- Are the birds always to be seen?-Where are they in winter?-Are they all gone?-Which of them are gone?—Whither have they gone?—When do they come back ?-Which of them stay in winter ?-Which are the best singers?—Have they hair or scales?—Have other creatures feathers?—Can you fly?—Can other creatures except birds fly ?- Can they walk ?-Which of them walk more than they fly ?-Which of them swim ?-Can all birds swim ?-Which swim more than they walk or fly?—Have they four feet or six? -Have they hands?-Would you like to have two wings instead of your hands?-Have they fingers or toes?-What instead?—How many noses?—Of what is their bill made?— Where are their teeth?—Where their ears and eyes?—Can their young fly, when they come out of the eggs?-How do they learn it?—If they all learn it by trying, ought not a child to be ashamed, who won't try to learn what teachers tell it?-Who builds their nests?—Of what?—Who taught them to do it so nicely?—If they learn it from their parents, should you not pay attention to all your parents tell you?—Does a canary bird keep its eyes open, when asleep?—Do birds lie down sleeping?-Who washes and combs them?





- And sunny clouds are smiling Down on our happy play;
   Where er our steps may lead us,
   We see the works of May.
- Und fonn'ge Wolfen lächeln Uns an und auf die Flur; Wohin die Angen bliden, Wir sehn des Maies Spur.

# 4. Winter's End.

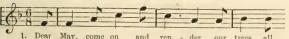


- Winter, good bye!
   I do not ery.
   When you are fully past,
   I forget you so fast!
- 3. Winter, farewell!

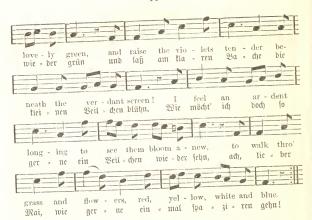
  I do not wail.

  If you don't hurry off,
  Cuckoo will at you scoff.
- 2. Winter, abe! Scheiden thut weh! Gerne vergeß ich bein, Kannft immer ferne fein!
- 3. Winter, abe! Scheiden thut weh! Gehit du nicht bald nach Haus, Lacht bich ber Kudul aus.

### 5. In Winter.



1. Dear May, come on and ren - der our trees all
1. Romm, lie s ber Mai, und ma s die bie Räu s me



2. When bright the skies are vaulting, 2. Dody wenn die Böglein fingen, That's what I like so well, On lawns a somersaulting, The flowers' fragrant smell.

ingales along,

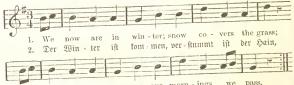
Das ift ein ander Ding. O bring us merry cuckoos, bring night- Drum tomm und bring vor Allem und viele Beilchen mit, That all the air be musical with jubi- Bring auch viel Nachtigallen und ichone

Und wir dann frei und flink

Muf grünem Rafen fpringen,

Rudute mit. lee and song.



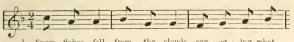


room co - sey our morn - ings er = freun. Lied = chen im Bim = mer ein foll นแซ brum

- 2. Though snow and storms bluster, Naught stifles our glee, Together we cluster,
  - So happy are we.

2. Mag's immer ba braugen Much ftürmen und fchnei'n, Der Winter foll freundlich Willtommen uns fein.

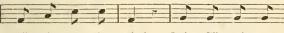
# 7. Snow-balling.



1. Snow flakes fall from the clouds, cov - er - ing what-

1. Bei - ger Schnee and ber Höh' liegt um - her, so-





roll the snow in glee! Look, I'll make a in des Win ters Brand! Ei nen Schnees ball



ball of snow. and at you, my com - rade, throw; madi' idi mir. Bru = ber. fich, er fliegt nach bir!



do not run, 't is but fun, 't will not hurt, you see! boch ift bas nur ein Spaß, Freun be blei ben wir.

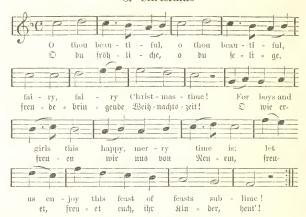
With thy blast
Lay the pond in fetters fast!
That with skate
And with sleigh
We may ride and glide!
Let resound our merry song,
Hurry on and drag along,
In long rows, with red nose: winter
soon is past!

2. Come, Jack Frost,

Komm geschwind, Daß die Winterlust beginnt! Eine Bahn Macht man bann, Daß man rutschen kann. Bringt die Schlitten schuell herbei, Spannt euch an in langer Reih; Wer nur kann, konnm heran; bald ist es vorbei!

2. Ralter Wind.

#### 8. Christmas



#### 9. The Urchin on the Ice.





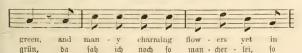
- 2. So Bob, he stamps and smashes With heel the icy flakes And quick the water splashes Crack! through the ice he breaks! And Bobby now he splutters, And in the water flutters, And sighs, and cries:
- 3. "O help, or I go under, In ice and snow, I must! O help! I made a blunder; Ice I no more will trust!" But for a man, a stranger, Who drew him out of danger, — His life — was lost.
- 4. He took him by the jacket, And drew him to the shore; Poor Bobby like a bucket Was dripping wet all o'er. And fever burnt him sadly, And ague shook him madly, As well it might,

- 2. Das Büblein flampft und hadet Mit seinen Streselein, Das Eis auf einmal knadet — Und krach! — da bricht er ein! Das Büblein aber krabbelt So wie ein Krebs, und zappelt Und schreit — und schreit.
- 3. D belft, ich muß verfinten In lauter Eis und Schme! O helft, ich muß ertrinten Im tiefen, tiefen See! Wär' nicht ein Mann gefommen, Und hätt' es 'raus genommen, O weh, o weh!
- 4. Der faßt es bei bem Schopfe Und zieht es baran 'raus; Bom Juße bis zum Kopfe, Wie eine Baffermans Das Büblein hat getropfet; Der Later hat's getlopfet, Bu Paus zu Paus.

# 10. Fall and Flowers.



1. The mead-ows and the gar - den but yes - ter - day were
1. In un = fere Ba = tere Gar = ten, ba war's noch ge = ftern





- 2. To day what sudden changes, There ev'rything is dead! Where have you gone, dear flowerlets, Ye flowers pink and red?
- 3. Dear children, we are dying, According to God's will, To make room for our sisters, When winter's storms are still.
- 2. Und hent' ift Alles anders, Und hent' find alle todt! Wo scid ihr hin, ihr Blümelein, Ihr Blümlein gelb und roth?
- 3. O liebes Kind, wir schlafen Rach Gottes Willen hier, Bis er uns seinen Frühling schickt, Und dann erwachen wir.

The third strophe is sung by the girls alone.

# 11. The Swallows.



- 2. Good-bye, and good-bye! Farewell, ye men, good-bye! Farewell, thou hospitable roof That kept from dangers us aloof! Ingratitude is hateful, We're grateful!
- 3. Back, back, back and back, Leads us our airy track. Back to our old and well-known home; Aus fernem Land gurud im Flug. We do not part for-ever, No. never!
- 2. 3hr, ihr, ihr und ihr, 3hr Leute, lebet wohl! 3hr gabt gur Bohnung euer Dach. Das ichütte uns vor Ungemach; Drum fei ench Glud und Frieden Beschieden!
- 3. Sin, bin, bin und ber Geht's mit une übere Deer. When spring appears, we swallows come Benu Frühling tommt, fehrt unfer Bug Lebt wohl auf Bieberfeben, Wir geben !

Object Lesson on Swallows.—1. Are swallows migratory birds? 2. On what do they live? 3. Are they useful to the farmer? 4. The singing birds and small birds generally. living almost entirely on hurtful insects, what of boys who destroy their nests or shoot them, or take their eggs? 5. What is the form of swallows' tail? 6. What is their color? 7. What is their song? 8. Where are their nests to be found? Of what made? 9. Do they fly faster or slower than other birds?





OBJECT LESSON ON THE SEASONS.—What is a season?—What is winter? summer? fall and spring? - How many seasons are there?—Which is the coldest? the warmest? the loveliest? the most fruitful?—Which is the best for children?—Are they not all useful?—When do trees and shrubs blossom?—When do the swallows leave? when do they return?—What are migratory birds?—Do other animals besides birds leave us in the fall? Why not?—Why does the earth slumber in winter? Why do you sleep?—Are there countries where there is no winter at-all?— Do migratory birds take their young ones with them?—How much time, then, have their young to learn flying ?-In what season is Christmas?—In which are strawberry festivals held? — Which are the earliest flowers? — Which the latest? — What coverlid has the earth when sleeping?—Does the snow keep warm?—What is ice good for?—How is it kept for the summer?—Where are snow and ice always to be found?— Is it warmer high up in the air, or colder than down below?— Can ice be looked through?—What do we call it therefore?— Is snow transparent?—Or is it opaque?—Tell me all the colors of flowers?-What flowers are red? pink? blue? brown? purple? white?—What colors have leaves in the Indian summer? What form have snow-flakes? What do we call the weather, when snow and ice are melting? when snow and ice are forming?—When is the season of thunder-storms?—Need we fear them?

# The Hare's Petition.



- Ge = ftern 21 = bend ging id) aus. aina wohl



Malb hin - ans; fommt ein Häs - lein her 211 mir.



- 2. Art thou not the hunter, say? Settest dogs on me to slay And to tear me cruelly? What if I did so with thee? When I think of my sad fate—'Tis dreadful to contemplate!
- 3. Little hare, you look so pale! Listen now to my short tale! If you'll henceforth keep away From the farmer's clover hay, Cabbage, lettuce and so on, I will let you all alone.
- 2. Bift du nicht der Jägersmann? Deti'st auf mich die Hunde au? Wenn dein Windspiel mich ertappt, Hast der, Jäger, mich erichnappt. Wenn ich au mein Schicklal dent', Ich mich recht von Herzen frünt'.
- 3. Armes Saschen, bift so blag, Geb dem Bau'r nicht mehr ins Gras, Geh dem Bau'r nicht mehr ins Kraut, Souft bezahlst mit deiner Haut; Gonft bezahlst mit deiner Haut; Eparft dir manche Angft und Pein, Kannst mit Luft ein Saschen sein.

OBJECT LESSON ON HARES:—1. Have they two legs, or six?
2. Have they a bill? feathers? scales? webbed feet? wings?
3. Are they bigger than elephants? 4. Courageous like dogs, or lions? strong like horses? 5. Do they sing? bark? roar? croak? snarl? growl? chirp? whistle? etc. 6. Where are their nests? 7. What animals do they swallow? 8. What is made of their fur? 9. What with their flesh? 10. Are their fore-legs longer, or their hind-legs?—

Note.—A picture of a hare (as of an animal not familiar) ought to be shown.

# 14. Father's Return.





- 2. He's always working faithfully, For us he does it all.
  Should we not try to please him?
- 3. We can reward him never more For all his love and care, So let us not through eareless acts His joy impair!

We'll do it all!

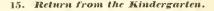
O laft uns ihn erfrenen Mit Lieb' und Treu'! 3. Wie fönnten wir vergelten ihm

2. Er fchafft für uns von früh bis fpat,

Die Liebe und Geduld! Bir woll'n ihn nicht betrüben Durch unfre Schuld!

Wird niemals mud' dabei.

Note.—The love to parents ought, of course, to be well enjoined. Point out, how little good children may do to their parents, and that good behavior is the only thing by which the former may gladden the hearts of the latter.





2. Mother, how grand it were time was nicely spent. In merry sports. All the things I shall tell, If I can do it well. In feeble words.

3. O, ich faun ichon viel!
2. Mutter, wie hüblich das war!
Danert's das gange Jahr?
Das wär' nur lieb!
Solit Alles hören nun,
Bas in der Schul' wir thun.
Das ift so lieb!

#### Moon and Stars. 16.



- 2. She comes on many an ev'ning, When children go to bed, To pasture all her :,: lambkins :,: ;;: The stars, white, pink and red .:;;
- 3. Blue is the shepherdess' meadow, Each star keeps in its place; She goes from one to :,: th'other :,:
- 2. Er tommt am fpaten Abend, Wenn Mues Schlafen will, Bervor aus feinem :,: Saufe :,: :,: Um himmel leis und ftill. :,:
- 3. Dort weidet er die Schäfchen, Auf feiner blauen Flur; Denn all bie goldnen :,: Sterne:,: ::: Smiles and "good evening" says .: ;: Gind feine Schafchen nur. : ,:





- 2. Sun, thou wilt gloat o'er my flow- 2. Sonne, lag mein Blumchen fprieers.
  - Clouds will sprinkle them with showers: So you need no mischief fear, Grow with pleasure, flower dear!
- Ren. Bolte, fommt, es zu begießen!

Richt' embor bein Angeficht. Liebes Blumchen, fürcht' bid nicht!

- 3. Look, my little flower is tearful-Tears of joy-it sprouts so cheerful! Butterflies, give it a kiss, Tell it low how nice it is!
- 3. Bie's vor lauter Freude weinet, Freut fich, daß die Conne icheinet! Schmetterlinge, fliegt berbei, Saat ibm leis, wie icon es fei!

OBJECT LESSONS ON FLOWERS AND STARS, - Why are the stars very like lambkins? and the moon like a shepherd?— Are lambkins still when they feed ?-Do they bite and hurt each other?—Are they white and shining like stars?—Do the stars move?—Does the moon?—Why do we rarely ever see the moon and the stars in the day-time?—Does the moon always look like a shining balloon?—What is it called, when we see only half or less of it?—What when we see it all?—What when we see it not at-all?—Does it not look sometimes like a boat?—What do we call the time from one full-moon to the next?—How many months are there in the year?

Do flowers also live?—Do they grow? feed? sleep? drink? bask in the sunshine? feel thirst? feel hunger?-Do they thrive better when well cared for?—Have you been told of the Mimosa?—Do not the flowers turn all their faces (leaves) to the sun?-What do they do when the sun does not shine?-What does the dew in the flower look like?—What will butterflies do in flower-cups?-

# 18. Baby-tending.



Bar qu ichredlich ichreia !

Not make such a squalling!

- 3. All my dolls and puppets are Dull and still and drowsy, Do not cry as babies do, Do not stir aud rouse me. But when-hark !-Comes the stork, I sing: O my darling etc.
- 3. Alle meine Buppen find Gar gu ftill und leberu, Schrein nicht wie ein fleines Rind. Legt man's in die Kedern. Alber-hord !-Rommt ber Stordi. Beift's: eia, popeia! 2c.

# Evening Song.



- 2. Be thou never lazy, But rise with the day : 'T is not-at-all hurtful And gives time for play. And if we are faithful In school and at home, How happy then can we Play, scamper and roam!
- 2. Muf, auf, mit ber Soune, 3hr Briiber, recht früh! Das ift mabre Wonne Und madt feine Danh'. Und habt ihr am Tage Rur Gutes gethan, Dann feid ihr am Abend Stets glücklich baran !

# 20. Dancing (for Girls.)



- 2. Wer tangt mit mir, wer tangt mit mir? Mer fpielt dagu die Geigen? 3hr Jungen, still, ihr Jungen, still! Müßt tangen ober ichweigen! 3ch tange, weil ich muß, Dagu sah' ich ben Fuß.
  3hr Jungen, ihr müßt ichweigen! Wer spielt dagu die Geigen?
- 3. Ich tanze gern, ich tanze gern, Ich tanze alle Tage.
  Das thut nicht weh, das thut nicht weh, Das macht mir teine Vlage.
  Tritt mir nicht auf die Zeh',
  Denn das thut wirklich weh!
  3ch tanze alle Tage,
  Das macht mir teine Plage.

#### 21. Swinging (for Boys.)

Not fast.



- 1. Up and down dangles the swing, friends and
- 1. Auf und ab ichan - feln wir ío, fingt nun,



and thith - er pa - nions, we'll sing! Hith - er fpie = len. recht froh! Din ппр her flicat un = ser





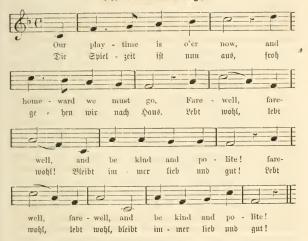
Boys like high, -- girls, swing pret - ty don't crv! to hod) - fdreit fchau = feln gern Jun - gen, bic nicht both!



but sing, sing loud, when we rise: how fine! Dlad - chen, fingt lau = ter, wenn's fliegt! D wie's wiegt!

- 2. Faster and faster behind Flutters our hair in the wind. Boys, it must fire our heart, When through the air thus we dart. Ballet ihr fuftiges Blut. Girls, Oh, do not be afraid! T' is too late!
  - Rather sing merrily loud; Give a shout!
- 2. Immer geschwind, nur geschwind! Flattert das Haar in dem Wind, Rriegen die Jungen recht Muth.
  - Madden, was fürchtet ihr euch? Schreit nicht gleich !
  - Singet aus vollefter Bruft :
  - D die Luft!

# 22. End of Play,



#### 23. Homeward,



Note. It will be found very entertaining for children, if with the above pieces, in suitable places, bodily movements are carried out together with the song and words, such as are indicative of the meaning. So should in No. 2 the words "when through the air they're flying" be accompanied by a wafting of all hands above the head; the words "take me along" by a rising of all the class and lifting of hands; and the final words "And caper, hop and rove about" by a corresponding, but not too loud a movement. So in No. 7 "snow-balling" should be described by fitting gestures. So in No. 8 the final words by a clapping of hands. The whole of No. 8 may be dramatized by descriptive motions. In No. 11 the parting of the swallows should be acted by a turning half round of the children standing and the gesticulation of taking leave. In No. 13 the hare's rising on his hind-legs is imitated by putting both hands to the head as ears; and the words "t is dreadful to contemplate" are accompanied by holding the hands on the eyes, as though weeping; finally the last strophe by a significant warning with the index-finger. In No. 18 the baby-tending may be acted in every strophe. In No. 19 the last two lines of each strophe by singing, wheeling and sitting down again. Nos. 20, 21, 22 and 23 give occasion for similar movements.—On the whole, singing should be carried on in a sitting, standing and walking position alternately.

# II.—CHILD-LIKE POETRY WITHOUT SONG.

# 1. Why Dolly cannot speak.

Dolly, can you speak? Now, pray tell me why You cannot—I'm sure, You are older than I.

Let us hear some good thing, You have pretty bright eyes; Come now, let us see, If you really are wise.

You have eyes, but no mind; I have eyes and mind too: A hint let me take To do better than you.

# 2. The Monkey.

See! there 's a monkey in the street, His face looks very old, And though he wears a little coat, I think he feels the cold.

His master plays the tambourine, And makes him dance and leap; But when he 's tired, he carries him, And lets him go to sleep. The monkey's home is far away, In lands across the seas. There monkeys live in merry troops, Among the forest trees.

They climb and play and spring about, And gather juicy fruits, Or on the mossy ground they run To dig for wholesome roots.

The monkey loves her little one, She holds it on her arm, Or lets it sit upon her back, To keep it safe from harm.

Now let us give poor Jack some nuts: He puts them in his cheek, And looks as if he 'd ask for more, If he could only speak.

# 3. Water.

How wonderful is water, Though we see it every day! It 's clear as air, and useful For more than I can say.

It's very good for drinking, It helps the ships to sail, It falls from clouds in raining, And in the snow and hail.

What could we do without it? No trees or grass could grow; And we should all be thirsty, And not know where to go.

The oceans would be valleys That never could be passed; No clouds would come to shade us, And the earth would be a waste.

How good a thing is water To every thirsty child! Strong drink will make men angry, This makes us calm and mild.

It tastes the best of all things, When we are warm or dry; And if we 're not, we should not drink; There is no reason why.

# 4. The Fly, the Raindrop and the Sunbeam.

One warm summer morning, A very small fly Was dancing and buzzing All round in the sky.

See! says the little fly,
. What I can do!
While I dance on my wings,
I can sing with them too.

From a cloud that was passing by Fell a raindrop,
And swallowed the poor little
Buzzing fly up.

Oh! says the little fly, What shall I do? This is the strangest thing Ever I knew. The thundercloud burst And came down in a shower, And the drop with the fly in it Fell on a flower.

Oh! says the little fly, What shall I do? I should be as well off With no wings as with two.

The flower grew low By the side of a brook, And into its waters The raindrop she shook.

Oh! says the little fly, What shall I do? My wings and my body Are wet through and through.

Away ran the little brook, Faster than ever, And tumbled the fly and drop Into the river.

Oh! says the little fly, What shall I do? Where am I going? I wish that I knew!

The river rolled on With a mighty commotion, And emptied the fly and drop Into the ocean.

Oh! says the little fly, What shall I do? The world is all turned Into water, 't is true. There came a great fish With a fierce looking eye, And he snapped at the drop, For the sake of the fly.

Oh! says the little fly, What shall we do? If the fish swallows you, He will swallow me too.

But a sunbeam, that saw What the matter was there, Drank the drop! and the fly Was as free as the air.

Now! says the little fly, See what I'll do! So shook he his little wings, And far away flew.

Nors. The words: "What shall I do" may each time be joined to a begging fold of the hands; other words with other motions of the hands and arms.

The four pieces No. 1—4 may be used for oral translation into *German prose* by the older pupils. The translation need not be literal.

# 5. The Way to School.

In winter, when 't is cold, In winter, when it snows, The way to school is long, As everybody knows.

But when the euckoo halloos That lovely spring draws near, The way to school does shorter By half to me appear.

Good pupils, though, find always The way to school but short; In summer and in winter It is to them but sport.

# 6. The Boy who wanted to be tall.

I'd like much to be tall and big,
And reach to the appletree's highest twig,
To stalk about with mighty pace,
To outrun horses in the race;
Up to the highest mountain top
To climb with One, two, three! hop, hop!
And if there came a tiny dwarf—
Like you—

Lift him with my thumb by the scarf; And walking in the streets—just so— Look over every roof and steeple; That all the boys and all the people Should run and shout and cry: halloo! Oh what a giant, what a show! But if I were so very tall, I could not go to school at all; Therefore, 't is better to be small.

Note. This piece ought to be accompanied by gesticulation in several places, especially at the words 'like you', which will be acted with haughty mien and by holding the hands out to signify littleness.

### 5. Der Weg in die Schule.

Im Winter, wenn es frieret, Im Winter, wenn es schneit, Da ist der Weg zur Schule Gerad noch 'mal so weit.

Doch wenn der Aucuf ruset, Da ist der Frühling da; Dann ist der Weg zur Schule Kürwahr noch 'mal so nah.

Wer aber gerne fernet, Dem ift fein Weg zu fern; Im Frühling wie im Winter Geht er zur Schule gern.

### 6. Der fleine Gernegroß.

3ch wäre gern, ach gerne groß, so groß als wie ein Apfelbaum, Und ging'mit weiten Schritten los, Daß mir ein Pferd nachtäme kaum; Und liefe auf den höchsten Berg Mit zwei, drei Schritten stink hinauf; Und läme so ein kleiner Zwerg —

Bie du — Ich höb' ihn mit zwei Fingern auf. Und wenn ich durch die Straßen lief', So fäh' ich über jedes Dach, Und jeder Junge fäh's und rief': Halloh! und rennte mir dann nach. Doch wenn ich gar so groß dann wär', Ging' ich nicht in die Schule mehr, — Und da gefällt mir's doch gar sehr.

# 7. Work and Play.

Work while you work, Play while you play! That is the way To be cheerful and gay.

All that you do, Do with your might; Things done by halves Are never done right.

One thing at a time, And that done well, Is a very good rule, As many can tell.

Moments are useless, Trifled away; So work while you work; Play while you play!

Note. This piece, also, is fit for repeating, whenever children are reckless, slothful or fretful.

### 8. The Dolls (for Girls).

How this doll is annoying me! There in the corner I put thee.
Thou say'st no word with thy sweet face, And dost not stir from place to place.
A living plaything I prefer.
Now, Lizzy, be in place of her!
You shall my daughter henceforth be, And like a baby cry to me;
Shall have your milk and sugared pap;
I sing a ditty, you're in my lap;
I dress you, and you must keep still
And do exactly what I will.
I lay you in your little bed,

### 7. Arbeit und Spiel.

Alles zur Zeit, Spiel und Arbeit! Darin ist Freud' Jetzt und allzeit!

Was du je thust, Thu' es mit Lust. Was halb man thut, Geräth nicht gut.

Eins auf einmal, Und recht gemacht, Hat manchen Mann Sehr weit gebracht.

Unnüt ift Zeit, Die man verfännt, Darum nie geträumt, Alles zur Zeit!

# 8. Die Puppe. (Für Mäbchen).

Wie langweilt meine Puppe mich! Fort in die Sche stell' ich dich.

On sagst die ganze Zeit kein Wort, Nührst dich nicht von der Stelle sort.

Sin sebend Püppchen sob' ich mir.
Komm, Lieschen, komm, ich spiel' mit dir!

Zett sollst du meine Tochter sein
Und wie ein kleines Kindchen schrein.

Ich geb' dir einen Löffel Brei
Und sing' ein Wiegenlied dabei.

Ich puge dich, und du hältst still
Und thust gehorsam, was ich will.

Ich seg' bich in dein Betichen sein,

You call me "Ma"! you are my pet, To-morrow I your child will be; You fondle as a mother me. Now then, begin to cry and fret Right baby-like, my tender pet!

Note. The above piece requires also some gesticulation.

#### 9. The Balloon.

Ye comrades all have seen, no doubt, The air balloon which flew about; A little boat was hung below, Where sat a man who cried: halloo! He waved a flag, it looked so prim, I should have liked to sail with him! But was afraid that I might fall, And might be shattered once for all.

How rapidly rose the balloon! The man looked like a dwarf full soon. How much can he see at a glance — Rivers and cities, woods and lands! How fast he glides from spot to spot, Till is seen but a little dot.

I'm dizzy now in tracing his way — No, I prefer below to stay.\*

### 10. In the Brook.

How the sun the water tinges, And the pebbles on the ground With its golden color fringes— What a fine bath have we found!

<sup>\*</sup> The gesticulation here is a shaking of the head. All the piece may be dramatized.

Und du nennst mich dein Mütterlein, Und morgen bin dein Kindchen ich, Du singst mich ein und wartest mich. Nun sang recht kläglich an zu schrein, Mein liebes, kleines Töchterlein!

## 9. Der Luftballon.

Ihr Kameraden, habt ihr schon Gesehn den großen Luftballon Mit einer kleinen Gondel dran?
Tin saß und jauchzte kant ein Mann.
Bie hübsch! er ließ ein Fähnchen sliegen—
Ich wäre gern mit aufgestiegen.
Och fürcht' ich mich; sie! ich heraus—
Och wär's mit meinem Leben aus.

Wie rasch slog der Ballon empor— Der Mann kam wie ein Zwerg mir vor! Was muß der Alles können sehn, Stadt, Dorf und Land und Berg und Seen! Und o wie rasch das weiter geht, Bis ihr es wie ein Pünktehen seht! Es schwindelt mir es anzuschaun. Ich führ' nicht mit, würd' mich nicht traun.

### 10. Im Bache.

Wie die Sonn' im Baffer ftrahlt Und die Kiefel auf dem Grund Mit Goldfarbe übermalt! Gelt, ein Bad, das wär' gefund? In sunshine and open air,
Shrubs and fragrance everywhere!
Let us bathe in this cool brook,
Follow me, boys, to you sweet nook!

Little fishes, now beware!\*
Ha! like lightning they are gone!
If I sprinkle you o'er there,\*\*
Comrade, would it not be fun?
Would that I a fish could be,
And plunge deeply now and then,
Swimming far out in the sea,
Till the school-bell calls again!

But to be dumb like a fish, And to be shut in by ice In the winter, I 'd not wish; Comrades, that would not be nice. No, a child that loud can sing, Surely that's a better thing Than the finest fish can be, Eating worms in silent glee.

# 11. Bewitching.

Ay, if I was a fairy, and could bewitch,
For fun and mischief how would my fingers itch!
Now I would to a whirlwind instanter change,
Blow off your hats and bonnets — how droll, how strange!
Would turn into a sunbeam and o'er your bed
Dance nimbly in the morning, when night had fled.
Then would! be a huge fly and buzz round you,
And when you went to eatch me, raise much ado.
I would lie down before you, a luscious pie,
And when you just were grasping, away I'd fly.

<sup>\*</sup> Gesticulation: a warning with the index finger.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Movement indicative of sprinkling.

In der Sonn', in freier Luft, Zwifchen Grün und Waldesbuft? Auf, zum Bad im fühlen Bach! All' ihr Anaben, macht mir's nach!

Fischlein ihr, nehmt end, in Acht! Ha, fort sind sie wie der Blig! It's nicht eine wahre Pracht, Wenn ich dich, Kant'rad, besprig'? Könnt' ich doch ein Fischlein sein Dann und wann, und tanchen tief, Schwinnnen weit ins Meer hinein, Bis zur Schul' die Glocke rief!

Aber stumm sein wie ein Fisch, Kameraden, möcht ich nicht! Und im Winter ist zu frisch Und zu eng im Eise dicht. Nein, ein Kind, das singen sann, Jit viel besser doch daran, Us der schönste Goldfisch ist, Der still seine Würmchen frist!

# 11. Die Zauberei.

Ja, wenn ich hexen könnte wie eine Fee: Da wollt' ich Unsinn treiben o jerum je! Bald würd' ich mich verwandeln in einen Wind Und nähme kort ench Allen den Hut geschwind. Dann macht' ich mich behende zum Sonnenstrahl Und schien' euch früh ind Bettchen, weckt' euch zumal. Bald wär ich eine Fliege, summt' um euch her, Und wolltet ihr mich haschen, weit weg ich wär'. Ich legte mich als Kuchen dicht vor euch hin, Und wolltet ihr ihn naschen, würd' ich entssiehn.

Again I your boot would be; you 'd draw me on, Would find you walk on stockings, what glorious fun! I'd turn into a bell and — to dinner eall; You 'd scramble hungry forward — back would I fall. I would into a flea change, your hand to sting, And if you wished to catch me, how would I spring! I 'd be your bathing water, and in the tub Around your heels like magie I would dry up. I 'd be the finest flower, and when you 'd try To place me in your bosom, away would I. I'd be the green turf, and you in lying down Would splash into a pond, but - you would not drown. I'd be a golden dollar; you'd grasp at it, To find I was but paper, a counterfeit! But then, in all this doing I'd mean no harm; And as I am no fairy, raise no alarm! What pity that there now is no more such charm!

Note. This piece also may be played with gesticulation.

# 12. The vain Gosling.

A gosling was as white as snow, It stretched out its neck — just so!\* And thought it was a swan. "Indeed, the only thing I lack Is a long neek, curved proudly back," So said it and stretched on.

It left its sisters, went aside,
And bore itself with scorn and pride—\*
As gosling 't was ridiculous;
A swan it never, never was!

<sup>\*</sup> Gesticulation adapted to the words.

Bald war' ich euer Stiefel, ihr gogt mich an, Und ginget auf dem Strumpfe, wie lacht' ich bann! Bald war' ich eine Glocke, rief' euch gu Tifch, Ram't hungrig ihr gelaufen, entfloh' ich frifch. Bald zwickt' ich euch an Sanden als wie ein Floh-Wenn ihr mich fangen wolltet, wie war' ich froh! Bald mar' ich Bademaffer, ftiegt ihr hinein, So mar' die Banne troden um euer Bein. 3d war' die schönste Blume- ihr brachet mich. Ins Anopfloch mich zu steden- und fort war' ich. Ich war ein grüner Rasen— ihr legtet euch-Und eh' ihr's cuch verfähet- lägt ihr im Teich. 3ch war' ein gold'ner Dollar- ihr grifft nach mir-3ch war', wenn ihr's befahet- nur von Bapier. Doch all das war' nicht boje von mir gemeint; Auch bin ich feine Ree, bin nur euer Freund. Wie schade, daß fein Zauber jest mehr erscheint!

### 12. Das eitle Ganschen.

Ein Ganschen war so weiß wie Schnee; Das reckt' das Köpfchen in die Höh' Und dacht', es wär' ein Schwan. "Fürwahr, mir sehlt nichts weiter als Der lange, schöngekrümmte Hals," So hub das Närrchen an.

Jest trennt' es von den Schwestern sich Und reckt' den Hals und zierte sich Und ward als Gänschen lächerlich, Und wurde doch sein Schwan.

#### 13. The Raven.

A raven stole a hundred things,—
Pearls, money, glass beads, golden rings,
And with them to his nest he hied.
The rooster looked at it and cried:
"What art thou doing with that booty,
Which never any good will do thee?"—
"I do not know," replied the raven,
"I take things only just to have 'em."

OBJECT LESSONS TO 12 AND 13.—The moral Lessons in these two pieces ought to be elicited from the children by questions like these: Can a goose help being a goose? Is it its own fault to be only a gosling? Is it a disgrace to be a goose? Cannot a goose be as good in its place and as happy as a swan? Can it become a swan by trying ever so hard?

Which is better, to take away things from others, or to give good things to others? To make others happy, or to wish to be happy alone? What do you call the raven for stealing? and what for keeping what he did not enjoy?

# 14. The dancing Bear.

What a dancing-master is coming there? Welcome, O welcome, jolly bear! What shrewd arts you do understand! Hobbling on two legs, staff in hand! A pity only, it seems to me, You growl at it so grudgingly!

"No wonder!" says he, "why should I laugh, If I must walk here on my staff?
I'd rather be in the woods, my home, And sleep, or at my pleasure roam.
Here I am hungry many an hour;
I'd rather the forest for honey scour."

OBJECT LESSON TO 14. - The children ought to describe the bear from recollection and from a picture. Give as much of the bear's Natural History as will explain the piece, and repeat your teachings by questions and answers.

#### 13. Der Rabe.

Ein Rabe ichteppte tausend Dinge, Geld, Glasforalten, Perlen, Ringe Ju einen Winfel, wo er schlief.
Der Haushahn sah ihm zu und rief:
"Was thust du denn mit diesen Sachen, Die dich doch niemals glücklich machen?"—
"Ich weiß es selbst nicht," sprach der Rabe,
"Ich nehm' es nur, damit ich's habe."

#### 14. Der Tangbar.

Was kommt denn da für ein Tanzmeister her? Willsommen, willsommen, du närrischer Bär! Was du odh alles für Künste verstehst, Wie zierlich du auf zwei Beinen gehst! Nur schade doch, Bärchen, höre mir zu: Du brummst so gar verdrießlich dazu.

"Mir Bären isi's freilich nicht zum Lachen; Ich muß ja hier meine Sprünge machen. Biel lieber wär' ich im Wald, zu Haus, Und schliefe in meiner Höhle aus. Hind sich sungern den halben Tag; Biel lieber ging ich dem Honig nach."

### 15. The Mouse.

To the butler says the cook:

"Catch me that mouse in the nook!
There's nothing safe in the pantry,
Nor in the kitchen, nor in the laundry:
All things around it gnaws
And bites with its little jaws.
Where 'er roast-meat is found,
Little mousey is around.
It bored in the pantry a hole,
Through which it went in and stole.
Now eatch it, butler, use thy wit,
Or out to the bushes drive it."

The butler makes a wry face
And says:
"Little mouse, little mouse,
Stay in your little house!
Take care to-night,
Keep out of sight!
Don't rustle so loud,
Nor steal here about!
Or else I shall get you
In my trap, I tell you!"

The butler covered up all the food, And in the trap the bacon put, Then locked the kitchen and barred it, And went to bed in the garret.

Little mouse keeps still and thinks:
He is right; and off it slinks.
But only a little while,
When it says with a smile:
"The bacon smells too sweet;
It won't hurt me, indeed,
If I nibble a little bit,
A very little of it.

### 15. Die Maus.

Die Köchin spricht zum Koch:
"Fang' mir das Mänstein doch!
Es ist nichts sicher in Küch' und Keller,
Weder in der Schüssel noch auf dem Teller.
Wo 'was liegt, da frist es;
Wo was riecht, da ist es;
Wo ein Braten dampst,
Kommt das Mänstein und mampst.
Ju den Küchenbehälter
Hat es gebissen in Loch.
Koch, sang' mir das Mänstein doch
Und iag' es wieder in die Felder oder in die Wälder!

Da macht der Koch ein Gesicht Und spricht: "Mäuslein, Mäuslein, Bleib' in deinem Häuslein! Ninnn dich in Acht Hent' Nacht! Mach' auch tein Geräusch Sonst wirst du gesangen Und gesangen!"

Der Roch aber bedt zu alle Schüffeln und stellt auf die Falle Hinten im Ed' und thut hinein den Speck, Sperrt die Küche zu, geht und legt sich zur Ruh.

Das Mäuslein aber ist ruhig Und spricht: "Was er sagt, thu' ich!" Aber es hat nicht lange gedanert, So fommt schon das Mäuslein und lauert Und spricht: "Wie riecht der Speck so gut! Wer weiß, ob's was thut? Nur ein wenig möcht' ich beißen, Nur ein wenig möcht' ich speisen. A little is nothing!" so speaks Nimble mousey and sneaks Up to the trap and seeks, Crouches and stretches out, Couches and feels about, Crawls like a snake on, And tastes of the bacon, Draws, gnaws and saws.

Rrrr!—there is a clap!—And closed is the trap.

Ah, what a dreadful fright!
Where now can it hide?
There 's no way out for the mouse,
So tight is the house!
It whistles and rambles,
It pinches and scrambles.
Everywhere a grate. —
Oh what a sad fate!
Everywhere a wire —
How bad, how dire!
Alas, alas, that this should have come to pass,
That the mouse no smarter was!

Meanwhile the morning dawns,
The cook comes and yawns,
Sets about making the tea,
And sees the mouse, dear me!
Steps up to the trap and cries:
"We have got one of the mice!
The little mouse that always stole!
You had better have stayed in your hole!
Look, if a little is nothing!
That very little bit,
That was the end of it!"

Note. This piece may be committed to memory in about four lessons A few facts from the Natural History of the mouse and gnawing Mammalia in general, as for instance about their teeth, long tails, lively habits, long travels, may be given.

Einmal ift keinmal! So spricht Mänschen und schleicht, Wis es die Falle erreicht.

Duckt sich und bück sich,
Schwiegt sich und biegt sich,
Ningelt das Schwänzlein
Wie ein Kränzlein,
Scht sich in's Ect
Und ergögt sich am Speck,
Neißt, beißt und speist.

Patsch! — thut's einen Knall —
Und zu ist die Fall!

Das Mänstein zittert vor Schrecken Und möcht' sich verstecken. Aber wo es will hinans, If zugesperrt das Hans. Es pfeist und zappelt, Es kneist und trabbelt. Ueberall ist ein Gitter—Und das ist bitter, Ueberall ein Traht,—Und das ist Schad'! Leider, leider, fann's Mänstein nicht weiter. Wär's nur gewesen gescheuter!

Unterbessen wird es Morgen, Da kommt die Köchin und will besorgen Den Kasse und den Thee. Da sieht sie, was vorgegangen, Und wie das Münskein ist gesangen. Ganz sacht' schleicht sie hin und lacht. "Haben wir endlich erhascht? Das Münskein, das immer genascht? Siehst du? Sinmal ist keinmal! Wärst du geblieben in deinem Loch, Gesangen hätte dich nicht der Koch."

### 16. Who stole the Bird's Nest?

"To whit! to whit! to whee! Will you listen to me? Who stole four eggs I laid, And the nice nest I made?"

"Not I," said the cow, "moo, oo! Such a thing I'd never do; I gave you a wisp of hay, But didn't take your nest away. Not I," said the cow, "moo, oo! Such a thing I 'd never do."

"To whit! to whit! to whee! Will you listen to me? Who stole a nest away From the plum-tree to-day?"

"Bobolink, bobolink! Now what do you think? Who stole four eggs I laid, And the nice nest I made?"

"Not I," said the dog, "bow, wow! I wouldn't be so mean, I vow; I gave hairs the nest to make, But the nest I didn't take.
Not I," said the dog, "bow, wow! I wouldn't be so mean, I vow!"

"To whit! to whit! to whee! Will you listen to me? Who stole four eggs I laid, And the nice nest I made?"

"Not I," said the sheep, "oh no! I wouldn't treat a poor bird so. I gave wool the nest to line, But the nest was none of mine. Baa, baa!" said the sheep, "oh no! I wouldn't treat a poor bird so."

### 16. Wer hat das Vogelneft geftoblen ?

Tuwit! tuwit! tuwit! Hört einmal zu, ich bitt'! Wer hat mir mein Nestchen genommen Und vier Sier, die ich bekommen?

Ich nicht, sprach die Auh, mu, mu, So'was ich niemals thu'!
Ein Büschet Heu gab ich dazu,
Doch das Nest, das ließ ich in Ruh'.
Ich nicht, sprach die Auh, mu, mu,
So'was ich niemals thu'.

Tuwit! tuwit! tuwit! Hort einmal 3u, ich bitt'! Wer hat mir mein Nestchen genommen Und vier Gier, die ich bekommen?

Sperling, o Sperling lieb', Ber ift der Dieb? Ber nahm das Reftlein fort, heute von seinem Ort?

Ich nicht, spricht der Hund, haum, haum, Ich fomme nie auf einen Banm. Ich gab Haar zum Reste her, Doch stehlen könnt ich nimmermehr. Ich nicht, spricht der Hund, haum, haum, Ich komme nie auf einen Baum.

Tuwit! tuwit! tuwit! Hört einmal zu, ich bitt'! Wer hat mir mein Nestchen genommen Und vier Eier, die ich bekommen?

Ich nicht, fagt das Schaf, o nein, So graufam tönnt' ich nie fein. Wolle gab ich, das Nest zu wärmen, Doch das Nest that ich nicht härmen. Bäbä! sagt das Schaf, o nein, Wie tönnt' ich so graufam sein!

"To whit! to whit! to whee! Will you listen to me? Who stole four eggs I laid, And the nice nest I made?"

"Coo coo!" said the cuckoo,
"Let me speak a word, too.
Who stole that pretty nest
From the little yellow-breast?"

"Caw! caw!" cried the crow,
"I should like to know
What thief took away
A bird's nest to-day?"

"Cluck! cluck!" said the hen;
"Don't ask me again!
Why I haven't a chick
Would do such a trick.

We all gave her a feather, And she wove them together. I'd scorn to intrude On her or her brood. Cluck! cluck!" said the hen, "Don't ask me again!"

Chir- a whir! Chir- a whir! We will make a great stir! Let us find out his name, And all cry: For shame!

"I would not rob a bird," Said little Mary Green; "I think I never heard Of anything so mean."

"T is very cruel, too,"
Said little Alice Neal;
"I wonder if he knew,
How sad the bird would feel!"

Tuwit! tuwit! tuwit! Hört einmal zu, ich bitt'! Ber hat mir mein Restehen genommen Und vier Eier, die ich bekommen?

Anfu! rief der Auduf her, Möcht' wiffen, wer der Dieb wär'! Ber diefes Nesichen gestohlen, Den soll der Auduf holen!

Aräh, frah! schrie der Rabe, Seht her, ob ich's habe! Bas für ein Schlingel muß es sein, Zu nehmen aus ein Nestelein?

Gluck! gluck! meinte die Henne, Das ist mehr, als ich kenne. 'S ist unter meiner Brut kein Huhu, Das so 'was Schlechtes könnte thun.

Wir gaben her ein Jeder Zum Nestchen eine Feber; Wir haben nichts gemein Mit solchen Tieberei'n. Gluck! gluck! meinte die Henne, Das ist mehr, als ich kenne.

Rifch, rasch! fifel, fatel! Macht rechten Spektatel! Woll'n sehn mit einander, Wer der Dieb ist, pfui, Schande!

Ich nehme fein Nestchen aus, Sagte Mariechen Maus. Es ist ganz unerhört, Daß man die Böglein störr!

'S ist ein grausamer Spaß, Sagte Elischen Has. Ob der Dieb es wohl bedacht, Was für Schmerzen er gemacht? A little boy hung down his head And hid himself behind the bed; For he stole that pretty nest From poor little yellow-breast. And he felt so full of shame — He did not like to tell his name.

### 17. The little Tree that wanted other Leaves.

There stood in the forest a little tree Through fair and boisterous weather, That had but needles instead of leaves For a garment upper and nether. The needles, they were stinging, The little tree was singing:

"All my little comrades—alas! Have the nicest leaves on, And I have but needles—alas! Who looks at me?—No one! Of all the wishes manifold I've but one, for leaves of gold."

Night came, the stripling fell asleep, And in the morn awoke again, When it had golden leaves — ha, well! Proud was it, then. The little tree said: "Now I in glad, No other tree such leaves e'er had!"

But when the sun that day went down, Through the woods a robber slipped, With pockets big and a face so brown. He saw the golden leaves and stripped Them from the twigs and stole away, And left the tree bare in dismay. Ein Büblein hängte sein Haupt. Er hatte das Residen geraubt. D, er ichante sich so gar! Boll'n nicht sagen, wer es war.

# 17. Bom Baumlein, das andere Blatter hat gewollt.

Es ist ein Bäumlein gestanden im Bald, In gutem und schlechtem Wetter, Das hat von unten bis oben Nur Nadeln gehabt statt Blätter. Die Nadeln haben gestochen, Das Bäumlein hat gesprochen:

"Alle meine Kameraden Haben schöne Blätter an, Und ich habe unr Nadeln, Niemand sieht mich an. Dürft' ich mir wünschen, was ich wollt', Wünscht' ich mir Blätter von lauter Gold."

Bic's Nacht ift, schlief das Bänmlein ein, Und früh ist's wieder aufgewacht — Da hatt' es goldene Blätter sein, Das war eine Pracht!
Das Bänmlein spricht: "Nun bin ich stolz,, Gold'ne Blätter hat kein Baum im Holz."

Aber wie es Abend ward, Ging ein Ranber durch den Wald, Wit großem Sad und langem Bart. Der sieht die gold'nen Blätter bald. Er stedt sie ein, geht eilends jort Und lätzt das beere Bänmlein dort.

The little tree said sobbing:
My leaves of gold, they are no more!
My heart for shame is throbbing,
The other trees are leav'd all o'er!
Oh, if another wish I had:
With leaves of glass I would be glad!"

Night came, asleep the stripling fell, And in the morn awoke again, When it had leaves of glass. — Now well! Laugh it did then, And said: "Now I am full of glee, No tree is glittering like me!"

But then a violent whirlwind rose
And grew a gale in a hurry,
And blew through all the trees, and those
Glass leaves were in a flurry.
And all the bright leaves of glass
Lay broken in the grass.

The little tree said whining:
"My glass lies on the ground;
The other trees are shining
In verdure all around!
Oh, if but one more wish I had:
I'd wish green leaves and would be glad!"

Night came, the stripling went to rest, And in the morn again awoke, And had green leaves like all the best! That was a joke! It said: "Now I have leaves like all, And need not be ashamed at-all!"

There came the old goat sneaking, With empty udder, For grass and foliage seeking, As a good mother. Das Bäumlein spricht mit Grämen: "Meine gold'nen Blätter dauern mich! Ich muß vor den andern mich schämen, Die tragen so schoos Laub an sich. Dürft' ich mir wünschen noch etwas, Wünsch' ich mir Blätter von lauter Glas."

Bie's Nacht ist, schlief das Bäumlein ein, Und wieder früh ist's aufgewacht; Da hat es gläserne Blätter fein. Das Bäumlein lacht Und spricht: "Nun hab' ich doch Blätter auch, Daß ich mich nicht zu schwene branch'."

Da tam ein arger Wirbelwind Mit einem wüsten Wetter. Der fährt durch alse Bäume geschwind Und kommt an die gläsernen Blätter. Da lagen die Blatter von Glase Zerbrochen in dem Grase.

Das Bäumlem sprach mit Trauern: "Mein Glas liegt m bem Staub; Die andern Bäume dauern Mit ihrem grünen Laub. Benn ich mir noch was wünschen soll, Bünscht' ich mir grüne Blatter wohl."

Bie's Nacht ward, schlief das Baumlein ein, Und wieder früh ist's aufgewacht; Da hat es grüne Blatter sein. Das Bäumlein lacht Und spricht: "Nun hab' ich doch Blätter auch, Daß ich mich nicht zu schwen brauch!"

Da fam mit vollem Enter Die alte Geis gesprungen, Sie sucht' sich Gras und Aräuter Für ihre Jungen. She sees the leaves — what does she care! — And nibbles the poor tree quite bare.

Again the tree stood bare and sore, And said: "What a strange fellow I was! I shall now wish no more Leaves green, or red, or yellow; Had I but needles for-ever, I 'd never murmur, never!"

Night came, the sad tree fell asleep: Sad in the morning it awoke— But looking round it did not weep, No, no,— in hearty laughter broke. And all the trees round laughed at it, But stripling did not care a bit.

Why then was it now glad and bright? And why its fellow trees did mock? It had got back that very night All its needles, the old frock,— So that any one may behold it, It is just as I told it. Walk there, look on, but touch it not! Why not?— Its needles it has got.

Note. The moral of the piece — to be satisfied with one's station in life — ought to be touched upon. The piece is not too long for four or five lessons.

# 18. Horse and Whip.

A truck horse in the stable stood, His harness off, awaiting food. The whip is in the corner dangling, The sluggard at the whip is wrangling: "How awfully severe's thy flogging, When I am with the wagon jogging! Sie fieht bas Lanb und fragt nicht viel Und frift es ab mit Stumpf und Stiel.

Und wieder stand das Bäumlein leer. Es sprach nun zu sich selber: Ich begehre nun keiner Blätter mehr, Weder grüner, noch rother, noch gelber. Hätt' ich nur noch meine Nadeln, Ich wollte sie nicht tadeln.

Und wieder schlief das Bänmlein ein, Und traurig ist es aufgewacht — Da besieht es sich im Sonnenschein Und sacht und sacht. Und alle Bänme lachen's aus, Das Bänmlein aber macht sich nichts d'raus.

Warum hat's Bäumlein denn gelacht? Und warum seine Kameraden? Es hat bekommen in einer Nacht Bieder alse seine Nadeln, Daß Zedermann es sehen kann. Geh' hinans, sieh's an, doch rühr's nicht an. Warum denn nicht? Weil's sticht.

# 18. Das Pferd und die Peitsche.

Es steht im Stall der Herberg' jaul Der abgezäumte Fuhrmannsgaul; Die Peitide hängt am Nagel dort, Die ichnarcht er an mit barichem Wort: "Wie ichrectlich haft du mich geschlagen, Mis ich gespannt war an den Wagen! "My neck and back are striped and scarred Like Union flags, you strike so hard. I tell the whole truth blunt and round: You are the coarsest whip e'er found."

"Ay," says the whip, "you are yet young, You 're stout of bone, of marrow strong, You like a filly ought to draw, Not puffing like an old nag, O pshaw! If you will day by day do so, You will not get a single blow."

The horse thought well of it that night, And minded it with all his might, And ran, next day and afterward, Right with a will, just like a bird. He darted over hill and dale, Did never in his duty fail. The whip with him no more did meddle, But beat the time with merry rattle.

# 19. Big Dog and small Dog.

"Big dog, you daren't stay, Bully, be gone away! If I should get at you, What would I with you do!"

"Cur, keep still, little wight, You 're not so dreadful quite!"

Bull dog the cur would spurn, Hardly his head would turn. Little cur said not a word, Sped away like a bird; But when he was safe in-door, Barked as loud as before.

Note. This piece bears some gesticulation, such as threatening with the fist on the part of the small dog, the turning of the head of the large one.

Mein Hals und Rücken haben Striemen So lang und breit wie Sattelriemen. Ich will's nur sagen furz und deutsch: Du bist die allergröbste Peitsch'!"

Die Peitsche spricht: "Bift jung und stark, Haft feste Knochen, gesundes Mark; Da mußt du wie ein Füllen lausen Und darsit nicht wie ein Alepper schnausen. Und willst du das, bekommst du Tag für Tag Bon mir nicht einen einzigen Schlag."

Trauf hat der Gaul es über Nacht Wohl überlegt und überdacht Und zog am andern Tag den Wagen So ichnell, daß man es nicht kann sagen. Tag ing es über Thal und Hügel, Alls wären ihm gewachsen Flügel. Die Petitige ließ ihn jett in Ruh' Und finallte nur den Takt dazu.

# 19. Großer und fleiner Sund.

"Großer Hund, tölpisch Thier, Willst du gleich sort von hier? Wenn ich erst tonun' an dich, Geht es dir jänmerlich!"

"Still nur, du fleiner Wicht, Meinst es so schlimm doch nicht!""

Großer Hund drehte kaum Seinen Kopf wie im Traum; Aleiner sprach nicht ein Wort, Lief in der Eile fort; Erft als er sicher war im Haus, Bellt' er gewaltig zur Thur hinaus.

# 20. I'll try.

Two Robin Redbreasts built their nest Within a hollow tree;
The hen sat quietly at home,
The cock sang merrily;
And all the little young ones said:
"Wee wee — wee wee — wee wee!"

One day the sun was warm and bright And shining in the sky;
Coek Robin said: "My little dears,
'T is time you learn'd to fly."
And all the little young ones said:
"We 'll try — we 'll try — we 'll try!"

I know a child, and who she is I'll tell you by and by; When mamma says: "Do this or that," She says: "What for?" and "Why?" She 'd be a better child by far, If she would say: "I'll try."

Note. Whenever a child frets at a lesson, and refuses to try, the class may be made to recite this piece, and to look at the little sinner, at the words: "I'll tell you."

### 21. The Pigeon-house.

Look! here's a pretty pigeon-house! In every narrow eell A pigeon with his little wife And family may dwell.

Their beds are only made of straw, The rooms are dark and small; But many though the pigeons be— There 's room enough for all.

### 20. 3ch will's verfuchen.

Ein Paar Rothfehlden baut' ein Nest An einer grünen Stell'; Die Mutter ruhig saß daheim, Das Hähnden sang so hell. Die Jungen all, so sprachen sie: "Wi wi, wi wi, wi wi, wi wi!"

Einmal im schönsten Sonnenschein — Kein Wind war weit und breit, Spricht Hähnchen: "Kinderlein, es ist Zum Fliegenlernen Zeit." Die Jungen alle sagten da: "Gewiß! Versuchen wir's, Papa!"

Ich fenn' ein Kind, und wer sie ist, Das sag' ich euch schon noch; Benn Manna sagt: "Thu' das!" spricht sie: "Wozu?" und "warum doch?" Ein viel, viel besi'res Kind wär' mir's, Spräch' immer sie: "Bersuchen wir's!"

### 21. Das Taubenhaus.

Seht hier, ein niedlich Taubenhaus! In jedem Winkelein Ein Tänbrich wohnt mit seiner Fran Und seinen Jungen klein.

Von Stroh sind ihre Betten bloß, Die Räume eng und dicht. Toch ob's auch noch mehr Tauben sind, An Ranm fehlt's ihnen nicht. Because they don't dispute and fret For every little thing, But live in love and gentleness, At home and on the wing.

How soft and low their cooing sounds. As each one says: "Good night!"
How cheerful, when at early morn
They dress their feathers white!

Then far into the woods and fields To seek their food they fly, Returning to their house betimes, When sunset gilds the sky.

Note. Likewise this piece may be recited by the class, when plane's and disputes have occurred.

## 22. The Sprites.

How comfortable — we are told —
Was rendered life by Imps of old!
If one was lazy and struck work,
And would his lot of labor shirk,
There came, ere you might
Think it, at night,
The urchins and swarmed
And rapped and alarmed.
They tugged
And hugged,
And hopped and trotted,
And cleaned and blotted;
And ere a sluggard was awake,
Would all his day's work ready make.

The carpenters stretched out themselves On chips of wood down on the shelves. Sie wissen nichts von Streit und Zank Um jede Aleinigteit; Liebreich und friedlich seben sie Zu Haus und braußen weit.

Die sauft und zärtlich klingt ihr Ton, Benn jedes sagt: "Gut' Nacht!" Des Morgens, wenn sie puten sich, Fragen, was Mama macht.

Dann fliegen fie in Walb und Feld Nach ihrem Futter aus; Und wenn der Abend golden winft, Dann fommen fie nach Haus.

# 22. Die Beinzelmännchen.

Wie war zu Köln es doch vordem Mit Heinzelmännchen so bequem! Denn war man faul, man legte sich Hin auf die Bank und pflegte sich: —

Da famen bei Nacht, Eh' man's gedacht, Die Männlein und schwärmten Und klappten und lärmten

Und rupften Und zupften Und hüpften und trabten Und putten und schabten — Und eh' ein Fauspelz noch erwacht, War all' sein Tagewerk bereits gemacht.

Die Zimmerleute ftreckten fich Sin auf die Span' und reckten fich;

Meanwhile a host of sprites came on, And saw what work was to be done:

Took chisel, saw, paste, And hatchet in haste.

They saw and they chisel,

They whittle and whistle,

They chopped And topped,

The rafters they righted,

Like falcons they sighted:

Ere the carpenters are well awake,

Clap! ready the house is—and no mistake!

The master-baker's bread and cake,
Lo! the Imps would nicely bake!
His lazy workmen lay adown,
Thereat the urchins would not frown,—
Would hug and drag

Full many a bag, And knead exactly

And weigh correctly.

They lifted And sifted,

They swept and raked

And clapped and baked.

The workmen still in a choir would snore,

When the fresh bread from the oven would pour.

At the butcher's the matter stood just so: The men and the boys slept in a long row. Meanwhile the active Imps would start, And cut the hog across and athwart.

All went in a hurry, Like a mill in a flurry.

Some the skewers topped,

Some with hatchets chopped,

Some rinsed,

Some minced;

Indessen fam die Geisterschaar Und sah, was da zu zimmern war; Nahm Meistel und Beil Und die Säge in Sil', Und sägten und stachen

Und hieben und brachen, Berappten

Und fappten, Bisirten wie Falken

Und setzten die Balken.

Ch' fich's ber Zimmermann versah,

Rlapp, ftand bas ganze Hans ichon fertig ba !

Beim Bäckermeister war nicht Noth, Die Heinzelmänuchen backen Brot. Die fausen Burschen legten sich, Die Heinzelmänuchen regten sich, Und ächzten baher Mit den Säcken schwer,

Und kneteten tüchtig Und wogen es richtig, Und hoben Und schoben

Und fegten und hacten Und flopften und bacten.

Die Buriden ichnarchten noch im Chor: Da rückte ichon bas Brot, bas neue, bor!

Beim Fleischer ging es just so zu: Gesell und Burschen lagen in Ruh; Indessen bie Männlein her Und hacken das Fleisch die Kreuz und Quer.

Das ging so geschwind Wie die Mühl' im Wind. Die klappten mit Beilen,

Die schnitten an Speilen,

Die spülten, Die wühlten Were mingling and blending Stuffings unending. When the foreman at last opened his eyes — Whoop! there dangled sausages nice!

With the innkeeper it was thus: There drank
The beastly butler till down he sank
By the empty barrel fast asleep.
The Imps would care of the wines keep,
And smoked with brimstone
All the barrels with caution;
And lifted and rolled
With pulley and bolt;
Were wheeling
And reeling,
And pouring and mixing

And pouring and mixing
And puddling and fixing.
And ere the butler rose, his wine
Was finished well and rendered fine.

A tailor once was in a stew, A state-dress was to be ready, too; Threw down the stuff, lay on his couch Down on his back and stroked his pouch.

The Imps so able
Slipped on the table,
Cut cloth and flitched
And sewed and stitched,
And seized
And pieced.

And looked on and sized
And ironed and spliced;
And ere friend tailor was fairly

And ere friend tailor was fairly wake — Burgomaster's coat hung on the stake.

Now, curious was the tailor's wife, Would know it all or lose her life:

Und mengten und mischten Und stopften und wischten; That der Gesell die Angen auf — Bupp! hing die Wurft schou da zum Ansverkanf!

Beim Schenken war es so: es trank Ter Küfer, bis er niedersank; Um hohlen Fasse sichtief er ein, Die Männkein sorgten nun den Wein, Und schwesetten fein Alle Fässer ein, Und rollten und hoben Wit Winden und Aloben, Und schwenkten Und sossen und panschten Und gessen und panschten Und mengten und manschten. Und eh' der Küser noch erwacht, War schon der Wein geschönt und fein gemacht.

Einst hatt' ein Schneider große Pein:

Der Staatsrock sollte sertig sein;

Warf hin das Zeng und legte sich,

Din auf das The und pslegte sich.

Ta schlüpsten sie frisch,

Ind hährten und rückten
Und sähten und stickten,

Und sästen
Und paßten
Und prischen und guckten
Und supsten und guckten
Und supsten und ruckten;
Und zesten und guckten
Und supsten und ruckten;
Und est nein Schneidersein erwacht,

War Bürgermeisters Rock bereits gemacht.

Neugierig war des Schneiders Weib, Sie macht fich diesen Zeitvertreib:

Strews peas about the following nights.
Then slowly comes the host of sprites;
One glides apace,
Falls on his face;
Some from steps slide,
Others in tubs glide:
They tumble
And rumble,

Are noising and crying
And cursing and sighing.
Down she hurries with a candle —
Hush! they vanish, off they scramble!

Alas, alas! they are no more, None to be found as heretofore. One can no longer lazily rest, Now every one must do his best.

Himself must plod,
Not dream and nod,
Do his own scratching, blotting
And running and trotting,
And cleansing

And rinsing,
And clapping and baking
And cooking and raking.
Oh! that it yet were as of yore!

Oh! that it yet were as of yore! But that good time returns no more.

# 23. Spring Bells.

Snow-drop lets ring its bell,
Ring—ling—ling!
What does it mean? pray, tell!—
O quite a merry thing:
That Spring was born again this night,
A child so fair and fine and bright!

Strent Erbsen bin die andre Racht. Die Beinzelmännchen fommen facht.

Eins fährt nun ans, Schlägt hin im Haus;

Die gleiten von Stufen,

Die plumpen in Aufen,

Die fallen Mit Schallen,

Und lärmen und schreien

Und vermaledeien.

Gie fpringt hinunter auf ben Schall

Mit Licht: huich, huich, huich, huich—verschwinden all'!

D weh! Nun find fie alle fort, Und feines ift mehr hier am Ort! Man fann nicht mehr wie sonsten ruh'n, Man muß nun Alles selber thun.

Gin Jeder muß fein Selbst fleißig sein, Und fragen und schaben

Und rennen und traben Und schniegeln

Und bügeln

Und flopfen und hacken.

Ach, daß es noch wie damals mär'!

Doch fommt die schöne Zeit nicht wieder ber.

# 23. Frühlingeglocken.

Schneeglöcken that länten, Aling—ling—ling! Was hat das zu bedeuten?— Ei, gar ein luftig Ting! Ter Frühling heut' geboren ward, Ein Kind der allerschönften Art; True, still in a white bed it lies,
And yet its play is wondrous blithe.
So come, birds, from the South along,
Deliver your enchanting song!
Ye sources clear,
Awake and cheer!
Why would you longer tarry?
Talk with the baby merry!

May-flower lets ring its bell:
Bim, bam, boom!
What does it mean? pray, tell!
O, Spring is bridegroom,
Is to wed with the earth to-day,
In splendor great and proud array.
Come, pink and tulip, waft your flag
Of brightest colors, do not lag!
Ye, rose and lily, white and red,
Ye shall be bridesmaids, when they wed!
Ye butterflies,
Colored and nice,
Shall lead the dance as swains;
Birds sing orchestral strains!

Blue-bell lets ring its bell
Bim—bim—bing!
What does it mean? pray, tell!
Alas, a sorry thing!
To-night from us takes leave the Spring,—
A serenade is what they bring.
Glow-worms a torch-procession keep,
The woods will sigh, the brooks will weep;
The nightingales will intonate
In every bush, in every glade
Their sad adien:
Spring, come anew!
We loved you all sincerely,
We wooed you all so dearly!

Awar liegt es noch im weißen Bett, Toch spielt es schon so wundernett. Trum fommt, ihr Böget, ans dem Sid Und bringet neue Lieder mit! Ihr Tuellen all, erwacht im Thal! Was soll das lange Zandern?

Maiglöckhen thut läuten: Vim—bann! Was hat das zu bedeuten?— Frühling ist Bräutigam! Macht Hochzeit mit der Erde heut' Mit großer Pracht und Festlichkeit. Wohlauf denn, Nelt' und Tulipan, Und schwenkt die bunte Hochzeitssfahn'! Du Ros' und Vilie, schwücket euch — Brautiungsern sollt ihr werden gleich. Ihr Schweckterling' Golft bunt und stint Den Hochzeitsreigen führen, Die Bögel musiciren.

Alanglöcksen thut länten:
Aim—bim—bim!
Was hat das zu bedeuten?—
Uch, das ist gar zu schlimm!
Hent' Nacht der Frühling scheiden muß,
Trum bringt man ihm den Abschiedsgruß.
Glühwürmchen ziehn mit Lichtern hell,
Es rauscht der Wald, es flagt der Quell,
Qazwischen singt mit süßem Schall
Aus jedem Busch die Nachtigall
Und wird ihr Lied
Sobald nicht mid?
Ift auch der Frühling schon ferne
Sie hatten ihn alle so gerne!

# 24. Der Schmetterling.

Du eitler, bnuter Echmetterling, Du bift boch ein recht armes Ding! Was bildest du dir ein? Wo ift dein Bater und Mitterlein? Die haft du beide nicht, Du armer, eitler Wicht ! Saft Bruder nicht, noch Echwefter, Richt Oufel und Bettern, mein Befter, Saft feine lieben Rinderlein, Die du wol fonntest warten fein. Huch lebft du ein paar Tage nur, Bift dann verschwunden ohne Epur. Mit aller beiner Munterfeit, Mit deinem schönen Farbenfleid -Ich tausche mit dir nimmermehr, Und wenn dein Honig noch füßer wär'!

#### 25. Die Bleifoldaten (für Anaben).

Geht, garstige Bleisoldaten! Wie seid ihr steif und frumm, Berbogen, stumm und dumm, Seid schlechte Kameraden! Wie man ench stellt, so bleibt ihr stehn; Ihr rührt ench nicht, soll's vorwärts gehn In triegerischen Thaten. Ihr könnt nicht schlegen, stechen, han'n, Man friegt es satt, ench anzuschan'n. Kommt her, Kris, Wilhelm, Karl und Franz, Georg und Angust, Kunz und Han's! Und all' ihr andern Jungen, all'! Betzt bin ich euer General! Nehmt statt der Flinte einen Stock, Wir brauchen feinen bunten Rock, Nur von Papiere einen Hut.
Nun paßt schön auf und folgt mir gut, Und wenn ich ruse: eine, zwei, drei, Gebt Fener! macht ein groß Geschrei Wit Piss und Puss, mit Ich und Krach! Dann lauft mir all zusammen nach! Nun vorwärts, Kameraden,

#### CHILD-LIKE TALES.

(Please to note what is said on them in the Introduction.)

#### 1. The smart Starling.

A thirsty starling wished to drink. Before him there was a jar with some water in it. But with his short beak he could not get at it. He tried to break the jar with his beak—in vain,—it was too hard. He tried to overturn the jar; but he was too weak for that. Being, however, firmly resolved upon drinking, he reflected how he could bring it about. Thus he hit upon a good idea, at last. He gathered many small pebbles, threw them into the jar, so that the water therein rose, and at last he could reach it with his beak.

# 2. The wrangling Goals.

Two goats arrived at the same time on a narrow bridge that led over a deep chasm. They met each other in the middle and found the bridge not wide enough for them to pass. Each called out to the other that she should turn about and give way; but neither would do it. Each threatened blows and showed her horns. And as neither would yield, they came at last to heavy blows, and both tumbled over the bridge down into the deep gorge, where they lay with broken limbs.

# 3. The Lion and the Mouse.

A lion was sleeping in his den, when a little mouse, playing right above him, fell on his nose. He awoke and caught the mouse, and he was about eating it up, when it begged for life

# Kindliche Erzählungen.

#### . 1. Der gefcheute Staar.

Ein durstiger Staar wollte trinken. Bor ihm war ein Krug mit etwas Wasser darin. Aber mit seinem kurzen Schnabel konnte er nicht dazu kommen. Er versuchte den Krug mit seinem Schnabel zu zerbrechen — umsonist, er war zu hart. Er suchte den Krug umzuwersen; aber er war zu schwach dazu. Da er jedoch sest euighlossen war zu trinken, so dachte er nach, wie er es zuwege bringen könnte. Dabei kam er zuletzt auf einen guten Gedanken. Er sammelte viele Steinschen, warf sie in die Flasche, so daß das Wasser darin stieg, und endlich konnte er es mit dem Schnabel erreichen.

# 2. Die ganfifchen Biegen.

Bwei Ziegen kannen zu gleicher Zeit auf einer schmalen Brücke an, die über einen tiesen Abgrund führte. Sie trasen sich auf der Mitte und fanden die Brücke nicht breit genug, um einander auszuweichen. Zede rief der anderen zu, sie sollte umfehren und den Weg freigeben; aber keine wollte es. Zede drohte mit Stößen und wies ihre Hörner. Und da keine nachgeben mochte, kannen sie zulest in einen schweren Kampf und sie stürzten beide von der Brücke tief hinab in den Schlund, wo sie mit gebrochenen Gliedern liegen blieben.

# 3. Der Lowe und die Mans.

Ein Löwe schlief in seiner Söhle, als ein Mäuschen, das grad über ihm spielte, ihm auf die Nase siel. Er erwachte und hafdte die Mans und wollte sie eben auffressen, als sie um ihr Leben und ihre Freiheit and freedom. "Look," said the mouse, "how small I am—too poor a meal for you! It would be no honor for you to kill a little mouse, and I might, at some time, be useful to you and do you some good."

"What good can you do me?" said the lion haughtily. "But I grant you life and freedom, because it would be mean

for me to kill you."

The mouse ran away full of joy. Shortly after the lion fell into the net of a hunter, could not get out again and roared so that the woods resounded. Then the grateful little mouse came and gnawed diligently at the cords and ropes, till it set the lion free.

#### 4. The Swallows and the Sparrow.

There was a swallow who had built her nest beneath a roof, meaning to rear therein her children from year to year. In the fall she flew away with others to a warm country, and when they came back in the spring, she found her nest taken up by a sparrow. This lazy fellow would not build himself a nest and so rather settled in the empty swallow's nest. She flew before it and begged: "Peep, peep, Mr. Sparrow, make room for me, I have made that nest for my own brood." He answered: "Go your ways, now I am in." She begged a long while to no purpose; he threatened her with his sharp bill. The poor swallow flew away with a sad heart. But as she found other swallows, and told them her tale, they all said: "We must punish that impudent sparrow!" And they took loam in their bills and flew to the nest and shut its opening up with the loam, so that the sparrow could not get out and had to die of hunger.

# 5. The proud Frog.

A herd of eattle was feeding in a meadow. A big ox approached a swamp in the neighborhood. The frogs in the swamp saw him and cried: "Oh what a big fellow!"—But one

bat. "Sieh doch," jagte fie, "wie klein ich bin, eine zu kleine Mahlzeit für dich. Es wäre dir keine Ehre, ein Mänechen zu tödten, und ich könnte noch einmal dir dankbar sein und dir Gutes thun."

"Was für Gutes fomtest du mir erzeigen?" sagte der Lowe hochs müthig. Aber ich schente dir Leben und Freiheit, weil es mir eine Schande wäre, dich zu todten."

Die Mans rannte froh davon. Aber bald darauf fiel der Löwe in die Schlingen des Jägers, kounte nicht wieder heraus und brüllte, daß der Wald wiederhallte. Da kam das dankbare Mänschen, und nagte fleißig an den Zeilen und Etricken, bis er wieder frei war.

# 4. Die Echwalben und der Sperling.

Es war einmal eine Edwalbe, die hatte ihr Reft unter einem Dache gebaut und gedachte darin Jahr für Jahr ihre Jungen großquieben. Im Berbite flog fie weg mit den andern in ein warmes Land, und wie fie im Frühling wiederkehrte, fand fie ihr Reft von einem Sperling eingenommen. Diefer faule Buriche hatte fich nicht felber ein Reft bauen wollen, fondern lieber in dem leeren Schwalbennefte fich anfiedeln. Gie flog davor hin und bat: "Biep, piep, Berr Sperling, mach' Plat für mich, das Reft hab' ich mir für meine Brut gemacht." Er antwortete: "Geh deiner Wege, jest bin ich barin." Gie bat eine lange Weile umfonft; er drohte ihr mit feinem icharfen Edmabel. Die arme Schwalbe flog mit traurigem Bergen fort. Aber ba fie andere Edwalben fand und ihnen ihre Geschichte ergablte, fagten fie alle: "Wir muffen den frechen Epaten ftrafen." Und fie nahmen Sehm in ihre Schnäbel und flogen an bas Reft und flebten bie Deffnung mit Lehm zu, daß der Sperling nicht heraustonnte, fondern por Sunger fterben mußte.

# 3. Der ftolge Froich.

Eine heerbe Bieh weidete auf einer Wiese. Gin großer Ochse nahte sich einem Sumpfe in der Nachbarichaft. Die Frösche im Sumpfe sahen ihn und riefen: "D, was für ein großer Kerl! — Aber

of the frogs boasted: "I can make myself quite as big." His comrades laughed at him. He was vexed at their mockery and said: "I will prove it to you." So he blew himself out powerfully. "Am I now as big?"—"No, far from it!"—"Well then", said he, "but now!" He blew himself out more yet. "But now I am as big, am I not?"—"No, not by a great deal!"—"Well, now I shall become as big"—and he blew and blew—and—burst!

#### 6. The Monkey.

A rich man kept a monkey about him. Once when he had shaved himself, he had to leave the room for a while and forgot to lay the razor aside. The monkey now thought his chance had come, stood upright before the looking-glass, besmeared his face with soap, made grimaces and began to shave himself. But being a bad hand at that business—he cut his cheeks and lips so badly that his master heard his cries, took the razor away from him and wiped off the blood which was running freely over his face.

# 7. The Bear and the Children,

Down below in the inn the keeper of a tame dancing-bear sat at his supper. Browny was outside, tied to a post,—poor Brown who looks grim, but is not so bad after all. Up in the garret there were three young children playing; the oldest was perhaps six, the youngest no more than two years old.

Plump! plump! up-stairs there came something; who could that be? The door flew open—Bruin it was, shaggy Bruin! Time had grown long to him while standing in the yard, and he had found his way up-stairs. The children were so frightened at the big beast, that they hid away in nooks; but he found them, snuffed at them with his snout doing them no harm.

einer der Frösche prahlte: "Ich kann mich eben so groß machen." Seine Kameraden lachten ihn ans. Er ärgerte sich über ihren Spott und sagte: "Ich will es euch sogleich beweisen." Also blies er sich gewaltig auf. "Bin ich nicht eben so groß?" — "Nein, noch lange nicht!" — "Num denn," sagte er, "aber jetzt?" Er blies sich noch mehr auf. "Aber jetzt bin ich doch eben so groß?" — "Nein, beiweitem nicht!" — "Num gut, jetzt will ich so groß werden" — und er blies und blies — und — zerbarst.

#### 6. Der Mffe.

Ein reicher Mann hielt einen Affen bei sich. Einmal, als er sich rasirt hatte, mußte er auf eine Weile das Zimmer verlassen und vergaß, das Messer wegzusegen. Der Affe dachte, das wäre eine prächtige Gelegenheit für ihn; er stellte sich gerade vor den Spiegel, seiste sein Gesicht ein, schnitt kluge Gesichter und begann sich zu rasiren. Aber da er darin nicht geste war, zerichnitt er sich Backen und Lippen so jämmerslich, daß der Herr sein Geschwitt er sich Backen und Lippen so jämmerslich, daß der Herr sein Geschreit hörte, ihm das Messer nahm und ihm das Blut abwischte, welches über sein Gesicht strömte.

#### 7. Der Bar und die Rinder.

Unten in der Wirthsstube jaß der Bärenführer und aß sein Abendsessen. Braun stand draußen, an einen Pfahl gebunden, — der arme Tanzbär, der so grimmig aussieht, aber lange nicht so schlimm ist. Oben in der Dachstube spielten drei kleine Kinder; das älteste war vielleicht sechs, das jüngste nicht mehr als zwei Zahre alt.

Platich, platich! tam es die Treppe herauf; wer mochte das sein?

— Die Thure sprang auf — es war der Pets, der gewaltige Pets!
Er hatte sich gelangweilt, da unten im Hofe zu stehn, und er hatte nun den Weg die Treppe herauf gesunden. Die Kinder waren über das große Thier so erschrocken, daß sie sich in die Winkel verkrochen; aber er fand sie, beschnüffelte sie mit der Schnauze, that ihnen aber nichts.

"Why! that's a big dog", they thought and stroked him. He lay down on the floor, and the small boy rolled over him and hid his curly head in his woolly fur. Now the oldest boy took his drum and made a loud noise with it, and the bear rose on his hindlegs to dance—how grand! Each boy took his little rifle, the bear got one also—he held it upright—what a pretty comrad! and now they marched: "One, two, three!"

And just then in came their mamma, looking after her children. Oh, what a fright for her!—And the keeper of the bear came too to take him down. But the smallest boy said: "Ma,

we are playing soldiers!"

#### 8. The Children and the Peaches.

A father bought five peaches, the largest and finest to be seen, and gave one to each of his four boys, and the fifth to Mamma.

In the evening he asked them what they had done with their peaches, and how they liked them.

"I ate mine and threw the stone away," said Charley, the youngest. "Oh how nice it tasted!"

"I ate mine," said the second, "and planted the stone in

the garden to have a peach-tree from it."

"I sold mine for five cents to a boy," said the third, and picked up the stone which brother Charles had east away, cracked it and found a sweet kernel in it."

"I carried mine to sick Godfried, the neighbor's son, who has so long been bed-ridden, and ran away fast," said Edward bashfully.

"Now tell me who has made the best use of his peach?" asked the father.

(And the other three called out: "Brother Edward has.")

Note. The answer in parenthesis should not be told by the teacher, but extracted from the children. Likewise they should be made to guess what the father may have said to the youngest, to-wit, that he had done well enough for so small a boy; and what to the second, to-wit, that he had done

"Das ift sicher ein großer Hund," dachten sie und streichelten ihn. Er legte sich auf den Fußboden, und der kleine Knade wälzte sich oben drauf und spielte Versteck mit dem Lockentops im dichten Pelze. Ann nahm der Aetteste die Trommel, machte lauten Lärm darauf, und der Vär erhob sich auf die Hintersüße zum Tanzen; das war allerliebst! Jeder Knade nahm sein Gewehr, der Vär mußte auch eins haben und hielt es ordentlich sein. dewehr, der Vär mußte auch eins haben und hielt es ordentlich seit. — das war ein prächtiger Kamerad, und nun gingen sie: "eins, zwei, drei!"

Da fam die Mutter, die nach ihren Aindern sah. Ach, wie war sie erschrocken! Und der Bärenführer kam und nahm ihn mit. Aber ber kleinste Junge rief: "Mama, wir spielten nur Soldaten!"

#### 8. Die Rinder und die Wfirfchen.

Ein Bater taufte fünf Pfirichen, die größten und schönften, die man sehen konnte, und gab jedem seiner vier Anaben eine und die fünfte der Manna.

Um Abend fragte er fie, was fie mit ihren Pfirschen gemacht, und wie fie geschmeckt hatten.

"Id habe meine gegessen und ben Stein weggeworfen," sagte Karlchen, ber jungte. "D wie jung fie ichmeefte!"

"3ch habe meine gegeffen und ben Stein im Garten gepflanzt, um einen Baum barans ju gieben," fagte ber zweite.

"Id hab' meine für fünf Cents an einen Jungen verfauft," fagte ber britte, und den Stein aufgehoben, den Bruder Karl weggeworfen hatte, ihn zerfnacht und den füßen Kern darin gegeffen."

"Ich hab' meine dem franken Gottfried, dem Nachbarsfohne, bingetragen, der so lange schon im Bette liegt, und bin schnell fortgelaufen," sagte Sduard verschänt.

"Run follt ihr nur fagen, wer ben besten Gebrauch von feiner Bfiriche gemacht hat," frug ber Bater.

(Und die andern drei riefen: "Das hat Bruder Conard gethan.")

still better; and to the third, to-wit, that he should beware of avarice, greediness etc. And a few of the best pupils may be able to point out something like good reasons for these judgments,

# 9. Generosity.

An old lion lay dying in the dust. Many animals whom he had frightened or harmed, when he was still powerful, stood around him and rejoiced that they soon would get rid of him and live in peace. But the fox went in his joy so far as to sneer at him; the wolf spat in his face; the ox gave him a goad with his horns, the boar with his tusks, and the ass kicked him with his hoofs.

"Will you not," asked the ass of the horse that stood aside, "give him also a last kick, to settle old scores with him?"

"No," said the noble horse, "it would be mean to attack one who cannot help himself."

#### 10. The Traveler and the Spring.

A traveler came to a fresh cool spring. He was very warm from walking and hoped to refresh himself and to gather new strength for his journey. But the cold water hurt him, and he felt sick. "Oh thou poisonous water!" cried he, "who could have thought that of thee?"—"I a poison?" said the spring. "Look how fresh and green I make all the grass and herbs which I water. Is it not your own fault if you are hurt by me?"

Note. Ask why the water hurt the traveler, and explain that sudden cold after heat, and likewise, a sudden heat after cold must hurt the body—not why?—this would be unintelligible to small children. You may also point out that the traveler was ungrateful; but you ought to let the pupils find that expression and render that judgment, giving an example of an ungrateful child who ate his whole cake at once, in spite of his mother's warning, and then accused her of having given him a bad cake, because he felt nausea.

#### 11. Wolf, Fox and Man.

Once upon a time a fox met a wolf, and they talked together, and the fox could not find words enough to tell how strong Man was. No beast, saidhe, could withstand him. The wolf found this laughable. "Show me a man," said he, "and I will make him feel my strength, and he shall be beaten."

# 9. Edelmuth.

Ein alter Löwe lag sterbend im Stande. Biele Thiere, die er ersichreckt oder mißhandelt hatte, als er noch bei Kräften war, standen um ihn her und frohlockten, daß sie ihn nun bald los sein und in Frieden würden. Aber der Fuchs ging in seiner Freude soweit, daß er ihn verhöhnte; der Wolf spie ihn ins Augesicht; der Ochs gab ihm einen Stoß mit den Hörnern, der Ger mit den Eckzähnen und der Esel schlig ihn mit den Hofen.

"Willft du nicht," fragte der Efel das Pferd, das dabei ftand, "ihm auch einen letzten Schlag geben, um deine alte Rechnung mit ihm

quitt zu machen?"

"Nein," jagte bas eble Pferd, "es ware gemein, Ginen anzugreifen, ber fich nicht wehren fann.

#### 10. Der Reifende und die Quelle.

Ein Reisender tant an eine frische, fühle Quelle. Er war sehr erhigt vom Gehen und hoffte sich zu erfrischen und neue Kräfte auf seinen Weg zu sammeln. Aber das kalte Wasser ihnt ihm Schaden und er fühlte sich frant. "D du giftiges Wasser!" schrie er, "wer hätte das in dir gesucht!" — "Ich ein Gift?" sagte die Quelle. "Sich nur, wie frisch und grün ich alle Gräser und Kräuter mache, die ich begieße! If es nicht deine Schuld, wenn ich dir Schaden thue?"

#### 11. Wolf, Buche und Mann.

Einmal traf der Juchs den Wolf, und sie schwatzen zusammen, und der Juchs konnte nicht Worte genng sinden, um zu beschreiben, wie start der Meusch wäre. Kein Thier, sagte er, könne ihm widersstehen. Der Wolf fand dies lächerlich; zeige mir einen Meuschen, sagte er, ich will ihm meine Stärke zu fühlen geben, und er soll schlecht wegkommen.

"All right!" said the fox, who wished to play a trick upon the wolf. "I shall come to-morrow morning, take you along and show you a man.

And so he did, and led the wolf out to the highway. Not long after there came a little boy along the road, with his satchel, on his way to school.

"Is this a man?" asked the wolf, and was about going for the boy.

"No, that is to be one," answered the fox.

After a while an old soldier hobbled that way on his crutches, and the wolf asked again: "Is this a man?"

"Stop!" said the fox, "that has been a man. Just wait a little."

And then the hunter came, with his rifle on his back and his pouch by his side, and whistled a merry tune.

"Now look!" said the fox, "this is a man; I will take myself off."

"Coward!" growled the wolf," you shall see what I shall do with him." And he sprang forward to fall on the hunter.

"Oh!" said the hunter, "what a pity that I have nothing but small shot in my barrels!" And he took aim at the wolf and gave him a load in his face. And the buckshot tickled the beast mightily; but he moved undauntedly forward.

The hunter now fired off the second barrel, and the wolf howled for pain. But he gathered all his pluck and made an onslaught on the hunter.

The hunter then took out his sword and struck him a couple of sharp blows over his face, right and left, so that his blood ran down over it and filled his eyes. Then the wolf had enough and ran away.

The fox had waited for him and asked: "Now, how did you fare with the man?"—"Alas!" howled the wolf. "I had not thought that man could be so strong. First he took his blowpipe and blew into it, and I felt a pricking hail in my face. Then he blew in another time, and it was as if it rained sharp pebbles. At last he drew forth a shining rib from his body and cut my face so badly that I had to run away."

"Do you now see," said the fox," what a braggart you are?"

Nun gut! sagte ber Fuchet, ber bem Bolf einen Streich spielen wollte. Ich tomme morgen fruh, nehme bich mit und zeige bir einen Menichen.

Und er that das und führte ben Wolf heraus an die große Straße. Richt lange hernach fam ein kleiner Junge des Wegs, ben Ranzen auf

bem Rücken, und wollte in die Schule.

Bit das ein Menich? fragte der Wolf und wollte auf den Knaben losgehn.

Rein, das will erft einer werden, antwortete der Fuchs.

Nach einer Weile humpelte ein alter Goldat baher auf seinen Rriicken, und der Wolf fragte wieder: Ift das ein Menfch?

Salt! fagte ber Buche, das ift einer gewesen. Warte nur!

Und dann tam ber Jäger, mit der Tlinte auf bem Rücken und der Jagdtafche an der Geite, und pfiff ein luftiges Lied.

Mun fich! fagte der Fuche, das ist ein Mensch; ich will mich fort-

madjen.

Teigling! fnurrte der Wolf, du follst sehen, was ich mit ihm an-

fange. Und er fprang bin, um ben Jäger augufallen.

Tho! sagte ber Jäger, wie schabe, daß ich nichts als Schrote in beiden Läufen geladen habe. Und er legte an auf den Wolf und gab ihm eine Ladung in's Gesicht; und das Schrot figelte die Bestie gewaltig; aber er rücte muthig vorwärts.

Der Jäger feuerte nun den zweiten Lauf ab, und bem Wolfe ward es grun und gelb vor den Angen. Aber er faßte wieder Muth und

machte einen Angriff auf ihn.

Da zog der Jäger seinen hirschfänger herand und zog ihm ein paar scharse hiebe rechts und links über das Gesicht, daß das Blut herablief und ihm die Augen füllte. Da hatte der Wolf genug und nahm Reifaus.

Der Fuchs hatte auf ihn gewartet und frug: Run, wie bist du mit dem Menschen fertig geworden? — Ach! heulte der Wolf. 3ch hätte nicht gedacht, daß der Mensch so start wäre! Erst nahm er sein Blasrohr und blies hinein, und ich fühlte einen stechenden Hagel im Gesicht. Dann blies er wieder hinein, und es war, als ob es scharfe Kiesel regnete. Zuleht zog er eine blanke Rippe aus dem Leibe und hieb mir damit mein Gesicht blutig, daß ich ausreißen nunfte.

Siehft du nun, fagte der Juche, mas für ein Prahlhans du bift?

# 12. The Farmer, his Son and the Donkey.

A farmer (peasant) went with his son to the city, to make some purchases, and took an unloaded donkey along, to carry the wares home.

A traveler, whom they met on the road, said: "You are foolish to walk, when you have a strong beast of burden that could carry both of you." "He is right," said the farmer, "let us both mount." And so they did.

Another traveler came along and exclaimed: "Shame on you! you overburden that poor beast, while you are strong enough to walk on foot, at least one at a time."

"Well," said the old man, "you may walk along, boy, while

I go on horse-back."

After a while they were addressed by a third pedestrian: "Old man, for shame! you make your slender boy tramp along on foot, a healthy big fellow like you!"

"True enough," replied the father; and he mounted his son

and walked by his side.

"Lazy youngster!" cried a fourth passenger, "it is unbecoming in you to make that poor old man trundle along. Cannot you relieve him?"

"What now?" said the peasant and shook his head. "We

have tried every way and could not please the people."

And they fied the donkey's fore-feet together, and his hindfeet also, put a long pole through and carried the donkey on their shoulders to the city, where everybody laughed at them.

Thus it is, if you try to please everybody!

Note. The latter two pieces require a rather advanced sub-class, to be told and repeated with profit,

#### 12. Der Bauer, fein Cohn und der Gfel.

Ein Baner (Farmer) ging mit seinem Sohne nach der Stadt, um da Einfänse zu machen, und nahm einen unbeladenen Sjel mit, der die Baaren heimtragen sollte.

Ein Reisender, den sie auf dem Wege trafen, sagte: Ihr seid thöricht, daß ihr geht, wenn ihr ein so startes Lastthier bei euch habt, das ench beide tragen könnte. — Er hat Recht, sagte der Bauer, saß uns beide aufsteigen. Und sie thaten das.

Da kam ein anderer Wandersmann und schrie: Schämt euch, ihr brückt das arme Thier fast nieder und seid doch stark genng, zu Fuße zu gehen, wenigstens Giner auf einmal.

But, fagte der Alte, du magit gu Tuge geben, Junge, und ich

reite.

Nach einer Weile begegneten fie einem dritten Banderer; ber jagte: Alter, schämte dich, daß du deinen armen Jungen nebenher laufen läßt, und bist doch selber start und gesund.

Bohl mahr! ermiderte der Bater; er ließ feinen Cohn auffteigen

und ging beiher gu Guge.

Fauler Strick! rief ein vierter Reisender, es schickt sich nicht, daß bu den armen Alten da beiher trampeln läßt; fannst du ihn nicht abstöien?

Was nun? jagte ber Bauer und fragte fich am Kopfe. Wir haben die Sache auf jebe Urt versucht, und immer war es den Leuten nicht recht.

Und fie banden dem Efel die Vorderfüße zusammen und die hinterfüße desgleichen und steckten eine lange Stange durch und trugen den Efel auf den Schultern nach der Stadt, wo fie brav ausgelacht wurden.

So geht's, wenn man's allen Leuten recht machen will.

# The Play of Drawing according to Froebel's System.

It is important to show by one example, at least, all the various uses of the Kindergarten Plays (or kinds of Work) and the method after which they all ought to be taught, if their full benefit is to be reaped. As an example for this purpose the Play or School of Drawing is here chosen, because it is the most appropriate to illustrate them. It is, of course, impossible to carry a pupil, even during more than three years of Kindergartening, through all the variety of exercises, so as to exhaust the almost infinite variety of "Beautiful, Scientific and Life Forms", that may be produced by the pupil's own creative imagination; but while every pupil ought to understand and practise all of them, some few should be singled out for long continued, manysided and somewhat exhaustive treatment, in order to train every pupil to a love for thoroughness and real labor. Of the few thus to be singled out, none commends itself so much as Drawing, accompanied, after a pupil's seventh year, by Modeling.

It is a fact well known among experienced teachers, that the talent required for the vocation of a competent draftsman, lithographer, engraver, architect, modeler, painter &c. is rare, and that only from five to ten per cent at most of drawing pupils will turn out tolerable in these arts, if the ordinary methods of teaching are followed. Still, there is hardly any vocation in life which would not be considerably benefited by the eapacity of its followers to draw skilfully. This great disproportion of the developed talent to its necessity is common to all the Arts. In our present state of education from five to ten per cent seems to be the highest amount yet attained among pupils, of those who are apt to be in time good singers, actors, orators, gymnasts, poets, etc. The case is different with exact Science: in most good schools cases occur, in which

a great majority of a class of learners do credit to their teacher, themselves and, afterward, to their calling in life. The difference between Art and Science consists just in this: that the former requires in its followers, besides a certain degree of intelligence and knowledge, which is indispensable to the "Scientist", a high degree of practical exercise and skill in a. number of bodily organs. Every particular science hinges on a limited number of principles; these once mastered with the intellect, and their spirit imbibed - the rest of the science may be acquired by a comparatively short series of mental efforts. Not so with Art; - you may perfectly understand all the principles of a particular art, and be a masterly critic of its performanees: but you are, without long and patient practical exercise of your organs according to those principles, as far remote from being an Artist in that line, as a man is from being a master-carpenter, who knows quite well, in theory, how every kind of carpenter's work is made and cannot make any of it.

Therefore, when the advocates of the Kindergarten system maintain, after long years of experience, that they have found means to develop every pupil into a tolerably good, and sometimes an excellent designer — (by "every one" we mean those whose bodily organs necessary for drawing, are not defective) even experienced teachers unacquainted with this system will incline to be incredulous. But the matter is by no means a miracle. The conditions given, the effects will inevitably follow, if the teacher is what he ought to be. These conditions are, that teaching ought to begin at an early age, when the susceptibilities of the mental and bodily organs are plastic; next that the teaching should inspire the pupil with the greatest possible love for the beautiful, of which the particular art is productive; then that the bodily and mental organs requisite for the art, should be carefully trained by beginning with the simplest exercises, but in such a manner that they produce from the outset something beautiful and correct in its kind. and should, by a studiously graded series of exercises be just as rapidly advanced in skill, as nature will allow.

In this series of drawing exercises and their method, we take the liberty of slightly modifying those presented by Froebel

himself, who of all teachers was the most anxious that the spirit rather than the *letter* of his instructions should be followed. In so modifying his system we are prompted by our own experience as a drawing teacher and by the wants of larger Kindergartens, larger than those heretofore established. Our series of exercises is calculated for a course of two years at most, in order to give those children, who can no longer attend the Kindergarten, the benefit of the whole system, while the intelligent teacher may, with those pupils who remain for a longer period under her care, expand the series in the manner indicated by us. The drawing material devised by Froebel is. from the beginning, a slate and pencil, the former ruled with indelible lines in the form of squares of the size of a quarter Only when the pupils have acquired some skill, he ventures to set them at work on paper ruled with blue square lines, and with a lead penc l. We insist that the very beginning ought to be made with paper and pencil; we do so for ample reasons justified by experience, which will in part be obvious from what is to be stated below. The paper ought first to be dealt out to the pupils in sheets of octavo size, ruled in blue quarter-inch squares (in the lithographed tables the sides are shorter than a quarter of an inch); later, when they no longer spoil their sheets, in books of about 16 sheets each. Each Kindergarten ought to have, hung up along the walls, large diagrams, the exact copies of the figures here given in a full series, but the quarters of an inch magnified into one inch sides or more. - The assistant teachers should keep the peneils pointed, in order to avoid trouble,

As soon as the pupils are, by the exercises of Gifts I, II, III, IV and V, sufficiently developed in the muscles of their arms and hands, the nerves of their eyes and in their attention and sense of beauty, they should be taught to lay out on the square ruled surfaces of their tables regular and symmetrical forms and figures with building blocks, and to invent new and beautiful combinations of the same. Then they will be fully prepared for the first drawing exercises; and this will, on an average, be suitable for children of 5 years of age. The first exercise with Figure 1 will be introduced by a conversation. The teacher

asks the class or sub-class, if they would now like to learn drawing; if they will do their best to learn that art within two years, and to make every figure, every line beautiful. She shows them all the diagrams and how they follow each other, and that the most exquisite drawing is composed with very short lines which any child may draw; that they ought to follow with the pencil the blue lines slowly and from the top of the square to the bottom; that each line ought to be drawn with a light hand and afterwards be thickened and, at the same time, corrected, by going just as lightly again and again over it. All this is taught by questions and answers. In the same way she asks, if they know how to hold their bodies, arms, hands, and fingers, to draw a perpendicular line (they know already what this expression means) and she warns them to sit always squarely before the table, with the body bent over as slightly as possible, their feet perpendicularly down, their soles firmly on the floor, both arms nearly as far as the elbows on the table, their elbows and right hands inclined at a half right angle (they know what a right angle is) towards the edge of the table; their fingers slightly bent (at 45 degrees-which they know not and need not be told, but shown) when the line drawn will of itself be perpendicular.

She now places them in the position prescribed and sets them drawing invisible perpendicular lines with the inverted pencil on the table, till they are all sitting in correct position and moving their pencils perpendicularly. This is indispensable, before paper and the point of the pencil are used. And ever afterwards the correct position and holding of the hand ought to be strictly watched. The two fore-tingers and the thumb ought, in holding the lead pencil, to be as little curved as possible, the hand to rest and to slide onward upon the little finger; the pencil never to be held too firmly. We need not enlarge here upon the reasons for all these directions; they are absolutely necessary, and a reflecting teacher will easily discover why, and make the pupils alive to them.

She asks, what line in Figure 1 they ought to draw first; one or the other of the pupils will give the proper answer: because, if not beginning from the left side, the lines already drawn

would be wiped out; and she adds: likewise because you must always have the finished part of the figure in sight, which would be covered by the hand in the inverted course. She asks: on what square does the first line to be drawn fall? They say on the first blue line, third square from above. So continuing with questions and answers, she teaches them that the second drawn line will go on the second blue line one square upwards, the third on the third blue line again one square farther upwards: that the fourth comes right below the second, with one square's distance between them; the fifth beneath the third with the same interval, and so on. Now she commands them to draw, all at the same time, the first line, pointing at the diagram, and slowly saying: "one, two, three"-the "one meaning, that the pencil begins above, the "two" that it is moving slowly down, the "three" that it stops below. The teacher may sing a snatch of a tune to these words; or the pupils may do so.

She now examines all the drawings, points out defects and sets her assistant watching the less clever children of the subclass. Should the first (and so with any subsequent line) be drawn in the wrong place—a thing that ought rarely to happen, if she has in the beginning impressed them all with the importance of their undertaking—the sheet is turned upside down, and the line drawn again; and as soon as the assistant's time allows, the first wrong line (and henceforth every wrong or imperfect one) is wiped out with the rubber. When all the nine lines of Fig. 1 are in this way correctly placed, she grants the class (or sub-class, as the case may be) a few minutes' time to go over each line again and again, improving it and assists them in so doing with advice, rarely, if ever, by making the correction herself. When all the lines are equally long, thick, black, and straight, the drawing lesson is over. A few words of praise to such children as have done everything satisfactorily, will do wonders towards eliciting the greatest attention and care of the pupils. Shortcomings ought not to be ridiculed, or many pupils would at once be discouraged. Cleanliness will almost enjoin itself, because the children strive to perfect something really beautiful. The rubber ought

not to be given into the hands of first beginners. This first drawing is now used for a short Object Lesson, to sharpen imagination. What does the drawing look like?—Nine-pins, rows of trees in alleys, rows of soldiers, etc. Would a row of trees or soldiers look well, if they were not equally distant from one another, not equally tall, stout, straight and uniform? How do they like drawing?—Do they not wish to do always as well, that they soon may be able to take a sheet full of clean, neat figures home to their parents as a present?—Then the pupils are directed to place their sheets carefully away, each in his drawer; or the teacher collects them.

The pupils will at once be deeply interested in this kind of exercise. They now can produce something really beautiful. The sheet of drawing paper will rarely be soiled or wrinkled by them, the point of the pencil rarely broken off; every succeeding figure, to go on the same sheet, will be drawn with the same care, lest all labor already spent upon it, may have been in vain—in short, they are imbued with a sense of beauty, order and system, created by themselves. After the third or fourth lesson—each devoted to only one figure—the explanations before the beginning of the drawing may be considerably shortened, but the rhythmical drawing at the command of the teacher ought to continue up to the ninth or tenth figure and lesson, when the better pupils may be left to themselves, and the rhythmical drawing be carried on exclusively with the feebler ones for some time yet.

Some pupils fail in their first attempts, because the muscles of their hands and fingers are too feeble or too nervous. The gymnastic exercises, calculated to rapidly cure this defect, consist in alternately opening and shutting the hands, spreading and closing the fingers, bending the hand at the wrist at right angles to the fore-arm and back, and fingering piano exercises upon a table—all of these exercises to be carried out with stiffened arms, held out horizontally, and with a real exertion of all the force that can be wielded, but never to complete exhaustion. The pupils after having been carefully shown how to practise them, will now continue them at home and elsewhere with a will, because they subserve a purpose endeared

to them, while they would otherwise consider them tedious and even ludicrous. Other pupils fail at first, because their sight is not sufficiently exercised in correctly guaging length, width and distance. They may be exempted from drawing, until their sight is improved by the plays of the first five Gifts, except such as show great earnestness of purpose to learn drawing. In this case the plays just mentioned and the square ruled paper may help them to rapidly strengthen their symmetrical sight, and the teacher may assist them in their efforts, by giving each an octavo sheet of paper to be filled under the inspection of the assistants with the exercises represented on TableXI by Fig. 1 and 2.

The figures just mentioned are not intended for all the class, only for the earnest but feeble learners on the one hand, and on the other hand for voluntary practice at home, and in moments of leisure at school by the rest of the class. Not only would the course of drawing lessons be unnecessarily extended (and it is an important rule, that no step forwards should be retarded, which is duly prepared, in order to keep the interest of the pupils in the subject always unflagging) but those very lines are of constant occurrence in figures of higher grades and offer opportunities for continued exercise. We shall henceforth call Supplementary Exercises all those given in Tables XI—XVI, which are not necessary for the whole class, but voluntary, or calculated to bring up the rear of stragglers with earnest will but feeble powers, in extra helping lessons under the guidance of an assistant teacher.

The conversation before, during and after every drawing exercise (and likewise during every Kindergarten Play) subserves a manifold purpose. It makes the children fully attentive to what they are doing and interests them in the exercise. It gives appropriate advice for correct execution of the practice and prevents blunders instead of correcting them. It informs the pupils of the law on which each figure is constructed and thereby develops the power of Invention, creative Imagination, which consists in evolving by gradual changes of the law an immense variety of figures and forms, all regular.

Of the latter purpose we have to speak somewhat more ex-

tensively. Every one of Froebel's Plays is intended to develop one law out of another, chiefly by placing side by side, first Opposites and then their Combinations in forms of a higher order. Thus Fig. 2 may be considered as the Opposite to Fig. 1, the lines there composing an erect quadrangle, here a recumbent one. There the rows are obliquely, here perpendicularly placed under one another, each, however, at the distance of one square from another, Figs. 3-5 are different Combinations of these two Opposites, each upon a different law which the child may be made to express in its own words. For instance: in Fig. 3 the first figure is cut lengthwise into halves placed together invertedly, the whole forming a recumbent quadrangle (the children will call it a lying quadrangle) and leaving two hollow spaces in form of triangles. Fig. 4 is a Combination of 1 and 3. Fig. 5, resembling layers of bricks in walls, combines alternating perpendiculars, the Opposite to 2. Fig. 6 is Fig. 3 repeated by doubling the elements and placing them in pairs. By thus guiding the pupil to find out the law on which the regularity of the figure is based, and to find the Opposite and the Combinations possible of the two laws, his spirit of Invention is invited to self-activity. The abler learners who have finished their lesson before the rest of the class, will be called upon to invent new forms of Beauty, and will more or less succeed in following the given hints. The rest of the class must be still further guided toward a change of law.

Suppose you wish them to invent Fig. 7. You say: I give you 7 by 7 squares to enlarge Fig. 1. Where will you begin?—In the middle row of squares; on the first blue line to the left. He will easily find where to place the lines of the left half of the figure, and may now be directed by a few hints to complete the right half of it. Or, if Fig. 8 is to be invented, you advise him to draw a cross within the hollow space of Fig. 7; by experimenting he will find that impossible except as shown in the figure.

Those who incline to the view that this kind of exercises may be too difficult for the age for which they are intended, lose sight of the fact, that all the previous Plays of Gifts 3, 4 and 5 have already developed the power of Invention to a con-

siderable degree by applying, in a yet simpler and easier manner, the Principle of Opposition and Combination; and that the language to which they are here treated (such as that of Octagons, Triangles, Oblique lines, Squares, etc.), is already familiar Besides, the enthusiasm of even young children for drawing will aid in overcoming every obstacle. Says Froebel: "Drawing is one of the most effective means of forming the mind and of the very highest importance for even tenderest childhood, because it allows the child to represent creatively its imaginings with the most slender effort at overcoming matter and the least physical exertion, and, therefore easiest and most rapid. It thus prepares an appropriate use of the entire creative power of Man, enriches the mind and feelings with clear notions, and with true and beautiful ideas, the foundation of all happiness."

Thus far the pupils have only learned to draw perpendicular lines of the length of a quarter of an inch. As soon as they can do that neatly, it is safe to lead them on to draw lines of half an inch, three quarters, and a whole inch in length. By questions and answers they find that this is to be effected by joining lines of a quarter inch in two, three, four separate movements of the hand, thin lines at first, which are gradually thickened and blackened in going over them again and again, till they can draw in one movement lines half or a whole inch long. In this way Figure 9 is formed, which they will compare to a Right-angled Triangle. Figure 10 is the Opposite to it. a hanging instead of standing Triangle, the larger lines beginning from left to right, while in Figure 9 the smaller ones led. the larger followed. Figures 11 and 12 are Opposites to 9 and 10. Figures 17-22 are various Combinations of the Opposites, which may be in a thousand ways varied. Instead of continuing these exercises with long lines for a great length of time, as is done in most Kindergartens, a practice for which there is later opportunity without limits, and which, at this age, would necessitate over-exertion, we go, with Figures 23 and 24, over to a new kind of exercise, to-wit, the drawing of parallels within the squares, at the distances of a half, and of a quarter of a square from the blue lines; and in Figures 25 and 30

we continue this exercise, combining it with previous elements. Upon the laws underlying these figures, again an immense number of variations, according to Opposition and Combination, might be constructed and may be invented by the pupils; but we cannot afford to encumber our course with following them out. We must confine ourselves to the most beautiful figures that may in this way be produced.

The sight of the pupils is now so far improved, that they may draw quarter-inch lines across a blue line, as appears in Figures 19, 25, 30, which practice enables them to compose figures akin to curves (circles, ovals), with such unwieldy things as straight lines are, and gives them great pleasure and scope for invention. In directing their efforts to this aim, the principle of Opposites and its Combinations is again invoked. Thus Figure 31 is the Opposite to 25, a lengthy oval, and to 32, a standing, somewhat shorter oval; while 23, representing a rhomb, is another Opposite to the oval and combined, besides, with former elements. Thus Figure 30, a circle, is the Opposite of 34, a "lying" square with a standing square within, and Fig. 33, a "lying" square with a circle within, a Combination of the two.

We have spent so much time on perpendicular lines, before introducing the horizontal, because the latter is, indeed, much more difficult for children. To draw them, requires another position of elbow and right hand. The elbow is drawn back from the table; only about the foremost half of the fore-arm rests on the table, and the wrist is now the supporting part of the hand, which, however, in gliding along, is guided by the little finger. These positions must, again, be well practised without paper, and with the inverted pencil, before commencing the real drawing. For the pupil ought to produce from the beginning, as far as possible, none but perfect lines. His sense of beauty must not be marred, he must not be accustomed to be satisfied with imperfect creations.

Now we might again keep the pupils for a great length of time engaged in drawing nothing but horizontal lines, such as Supplementary Figures 3—7 (Table XII.) show; but this would, for reasons already stated, be a waste of time and force. The pupil ought to climb a new round of the ladder of progress, as soon as he is fully prepared for it, so that his interest in the exercises may always be kept fresh, and that he may feel his powers constantly growing. These Supplementary exercises are for the stragglers, or for voluntary work. We proceed, in the regular course, to the composition of perpendicular and horizontal lines, first of quarter-inch sides.

In Fig. 35 right angles appear in all the four positions possible, they being Opposites, and the square in the middle being the Combination thereof, which the pupils are to find out for themselves, after the Diagram has been removed from the wall. Figures 41, 42, 43, 45 are Life Forms, different kinds of crosses, the rest are Forms of Beauty. This Exercise may be continued with Supplementary Figures 19, 26, 49 (Table

XIII, XIV, XVI), as before directed.

With Figs. 49, 50, 53-54 a series of Forms of Knowledge begins subservient to Geometrical Object Lessons. pupils first learn what a Diagonal is, and that it cuts regular parallelograms into halves; what an Oblong is, and that the Parallels which cut the Squares or Oblongs perpendicularly and horizontally into halves, may be called Diameters (this is done for convenience sake); that each Diagonal halves the other and the two Diameters; that the intersecting point is called Centre or Centre of Gravity (what the latter expression means, is shown by balancing a square and an oblong wooden tablet on the top of a pin or lead pencil, and by hanging it up, by means of a pin and a thread in equipoise). All scientific lore is kept aloof in teaching this-the demonstration, that Diameters and Diagonals halve the figures, is given in two ways: first by counting up the little squares or their parts, which each half contains, and showing the sums to be equal; next by folding right-angled papers and showing that the halves cover each other. In the same way Fig. 71, and the truth therein, shown, is illustrated: to wit, that a standing square inscribed in a "lying" (recumbent) square covers half-its space, and that the reverse is just as true, which the pupil is led to find out himself. Figs. 53 b and 73 illustrate the fact, that, if the side of a square is double the length of another, its square is four times as large, which again must be demonstrated and expressed in the pupil's own words, by counting the sums of the little squares and folding square pieces of paper. Thus the pupil himself *invents* Geometrical Theorems and Definitions, and their Corollaries.

These important truths are thus learned by questions and answers, frequently repeated during the exercises with Figs. 55, 56, 59, 60—64, 66, 68, 69, 75—79, etc., which are Forms of Beauty, and with Figs. 57, 81, 83, 84, 90, etc., which are Forms of Life, and Figs. 65, 67, 73 and 74, which are Forms of Knowledge. In 65 and 101 the fact is embodied and discovered by the pupils, that an Oblong of 3×5 lengths (of a quarter-inch), contains 15, and one of 1×3 lengths 3 quarter-inch-squares; and in 74, that the law here embodied holds good as well of Rhombs. By multiplying this kind of examples the pupils learn not only part of the Multiplication Table in a way never to forget it; but they will, at last, perceive also the law of the Powers of whole numbers and Fractions, all without scientific knowledge. Fig. 95 continues this exercise, applying the knowledge gained with Rectangles to Rhombs.

Meanwile the pupils have learned how to draw Oblique Lines (they call them "slanting"). The preparation for the practice gives the following directions: to draw a Diagonal in a Square from the lower left to the upper right angle, the elbow ought to lie on the table, fore-arm and hand in a straight line and at right angles to the line to be drawn-(the Diagonal ought to cross all the intersecting points or Vertices). To draw a Diagonal from the upper left to the lower right angle, the body ought to move nearer to the table, the fore-arm to be parallel with the edge of the table and upon it, the fingers to be at right angles with hand and arm. This again is practised without paper and with pencil inverted, before drawing is begun. In all Geometrical figures the lines ought to be thin and, if necessary, afterwards corrected without thickening them, by applying a ruler of folded paper. Froebel calls Diagonals of squares "Oblique Lines of the First Order," those of Oblongs. the proportion of whose sides is 2 to 3, or 3 to 4, or 4 to 5, etc., "Oblique Lines of the Second Order;" those of Oblongs,

whose sides are 2 to 4, or 3 to 5, or 5 to 7, "Oblique Lines of the Third Order," etc., etc. Those of the Second, Third, Fourth orders are more difficult, whenever they are to be drawn from the hand towards the arm. For this reason, and because the pupil's health might be endangered, by leaning with his body too far forward, he may be allowed—but solely in this case—to alter the parallel position of his drawing sheet, or book, to the edge of the table, into a slanting position.

We can now leave the future drawing teacher to her own wits to find out the way, in which the production of the rest of the Forms of Beauty and Life is guided and turned to account in various directions. The curved lines, when they first appear, are well prepared by the Regular Polygons, and the Regular "Eightsider" or "Sixteensider" is always (in the beginning) first laid out, before the little curves are attempted. The position and movement are in all cases the same, as the Arc of the curve would require. The pupils (now on an average 6% or 7 years of age) will rapidly learn on what Vertex or Centre of what little square each angle of the Perimeter of each Polygon will have to be placed, and acquire a practical skill in symmetry, which renders the teacher's assistance less and less necessary. She will, however, not fail to extract, in each new problem, by questions and answers, the consciousness of the pupil of what he is doing, and how.

We may conclude, in this respect, with the remark that a distinction between thick and thin lines within the same figure appears only from Fig. 112 to the end. It ought, for obvious reasons, not to be introduced in any earlier stage of development, but thenceforth it ought to be adhered to in every Form of Beauty. After the lesson 142 (each figure fills one lesson, except so far as Supplementary Exercises are concerned) the pupil will, almost without guidance, learn correct Shading and Drawing from Nature, if the directions thus far given have been faithfully observed—at least in their spirit.

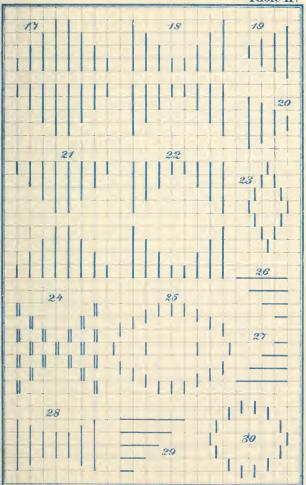
As to the rest of the Forms of Science, we confine ourselves to a few other remarks. They embody almost all the elementary truths of the Geometry of Planes in the manner of Object Lessons, and prepare the mind for the scientific study of Geometry in its later stages in such a manner, that no boy, nor even any girl for girls are much less inclined to this abstract study) can help understanding the science perfectly. The pupils acquire all the facts, laws and truths of Plane Geometry (and even the simplest of those relating to Geometry of Solids) long before the same are invested with Axioms, Definitions, Theorems, Demonstrations, etc. They know the things and can tell, or at least show them, without applying always the appropriate technical terms: enough that they learn how to express tolerably Definitions of all the lines and principal regular bodies and figures. In this they are aided in many ways by the contemporaneous exercises contained in the rest of the Plays, especially that of Folding paper. It is almost superfluous to add that Fig. 98 embodies the truth, that Triangles of equal bases cover space in proportion to their height; while Fig. 102 applies this truth and its Opposite to Parallelograms; and that Figs. 59 and 100 show the Definition and qualities of Similar Triangles. But it must be mentioned that Fig. 103 shows a way for the construction, without the aid of circle or compass, of a Regular Pentagon. Beginning with the Base, which is 6 squares through, and erecting the Perpendicular, which measures four quarter inches, the latter need only be prolonged by five quarter inches, to show where the two upper slanting sides of the Pentagon will converge; the two missing points of intersection, to which the two lower slanting sides must be drawn, lie each in the middle of a square, the fifth at the right and left from the Perpendicular, and the sixth from the base upwards. It is obvious that this is the time to elicit from the children that all the Triangles, formed by lines from the centre to the angles at the Perimeter, are equal, and that by prolongation of these "Radii" Perpendiculars are let fall on the opposite sides, which cut each triangle into two equal triangles. The children may, at this stage, be so guided as to find out where to place the centre of any Regular Polygon, if it is not given; that each Regular Polygon has its angles in the Circumference of a Circle, and what Radii are. They may be made to know the fact, without vet finding the correct words for it; but it is necessary that in

all learning they should know the things first, the names after-The drawing of a Regular Heptagon, as in Fig. 104. is similar; the base side is the length of three little squares. the perpendicular of  $3\frac{1}{4}$ , its prolongation of  $3\frac{1}{3}$ ; the two lower slanting sides converge with the two middle ones in the middle of the outer sides of the third little square from the base, which, at the same time, is the fourth from the Perpendicular right and left: the two middle slanting sides converge with the two upper ones in the middle of the fourth square right and left from the perpendicular and the sixth from the base up-In the construction of the regular Hexagon, Fig. 107, the proportion of the base to the height of the first triangle formed is as 6 to 5—the rest of the directions appears from the figure: the same holds good of the Regular Octagon. Fig. 143 shows one of the three ways, in which Froebel demonstrates the Pythagorean Theorem through an Object Lesson (by comparing the sums of the counted squares). In the same simple manner the Binomial Theorem may be demonstrated to children of 7 to 8 years of age by Fig. 144.

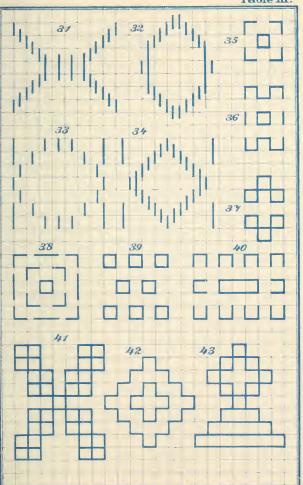
In concluding we direct the attention of our readers to the fact, that Froebel's Kindergarten exercises in Geometry begin with Bodies (of course the simplest regular ones), proceed to Figures, thence to the Lines, lastly to the Point. Thus far the course has been Analytical. From Points and Lines the continuation comes again to Figures and Bodies. In so far the course is Synthetical. All teaching ought to begin with Analysis and to lead back to Synthesis, to be "Analytico-Synthetical." The merit of Froebel as a teacher consists in this, that his system is analytico-synthetical in every stage of its progress. The teacher who imbibes its spirit, can hardly ever go astray, or find an insoluble task.

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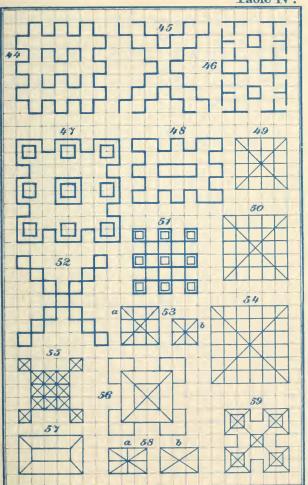




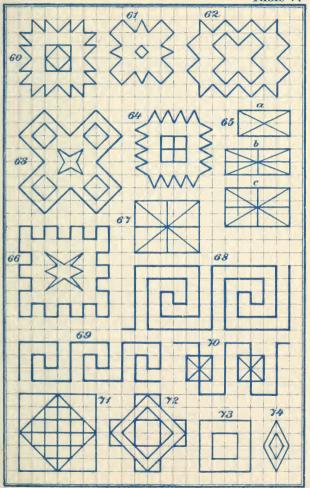




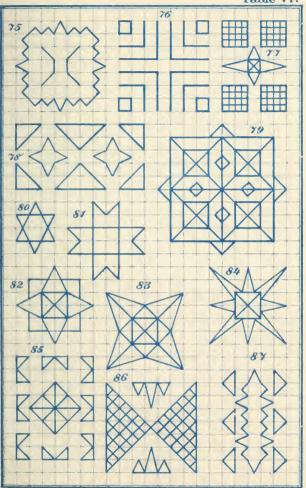




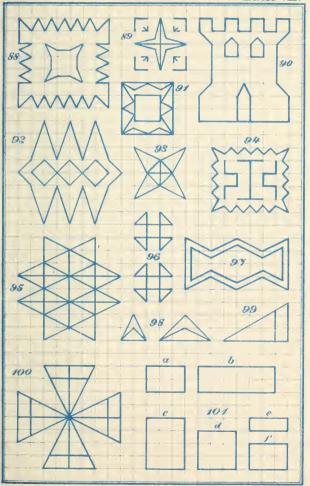




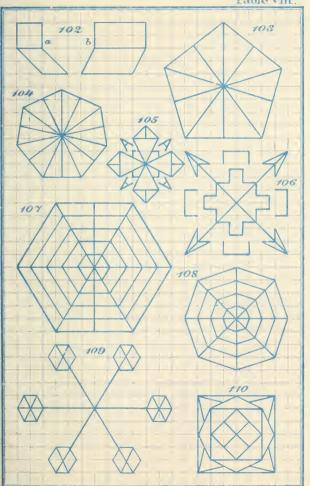






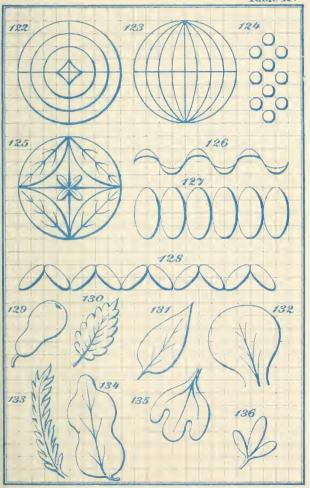




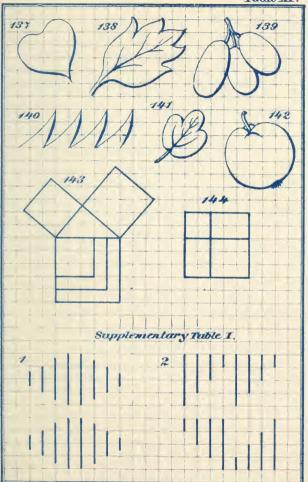
















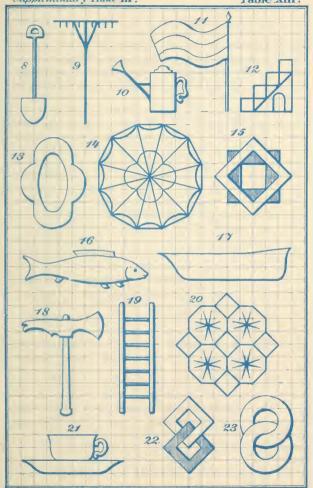
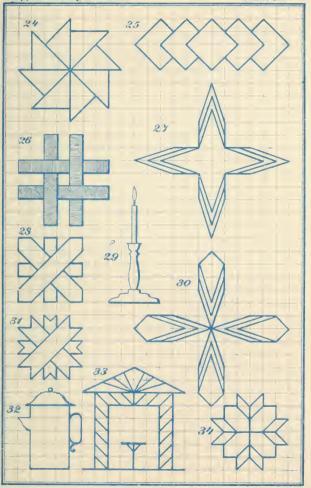
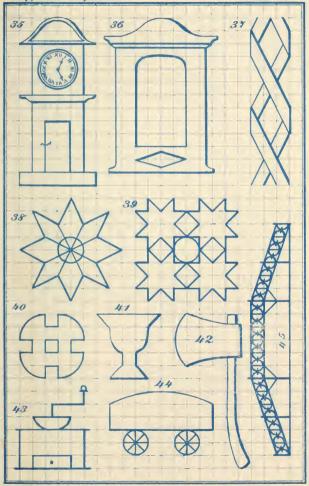




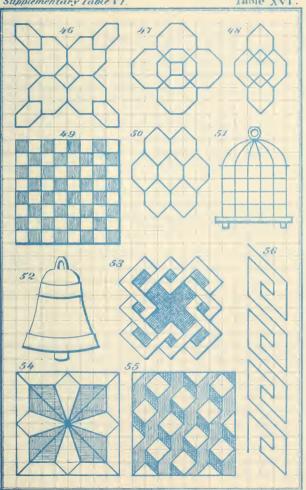
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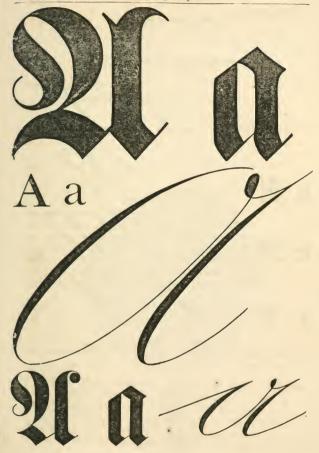
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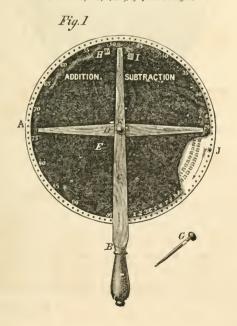
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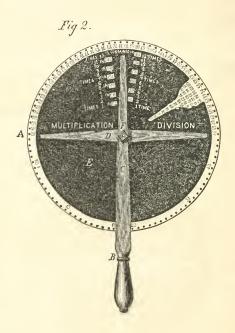
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